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January 2, 2014

Environmental Management Support, Inc.
Mr. Don West
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Dear Mr. West:

The Board of County Commissioners for Jefferson County, Ohio is excited to submit to you the Jefferson County Ohio Brownfield Coalition USEPA Brownfield Assessment grant application, which includes Jefferson County, the Jefferson County Port Authority, City of Steubenville, City of Toronto, Village of Mingo Junction, and the Village of Yorkville. This Coalition grant application for \$600,000 will support and supplement our 2009 \$1,000,000 Coalition Brownfield Assessment Grant, which gave us a much needed boost in assessing and removing the environmental impediments in our target areas, and paving the way for redevelopment and revitalization of Coalition Communities.

Although Jefferson County, Ohio, was dealt a devastating blow from it's heavy reliance on the coal and steel industry, we are experiencing a revival of sorts, with the emergency of the oil and gas exploration industry as it is infiltrating our County. This renaissance is opening up opportunities at a rapid pace, and the USEPA Brownfield Assessment Grants, leveraged with Clean Ohio Brownfield Grants through the Ohio Development Services Agency, are significantly helping to re-purpose our Brownfield sites in the emerging market.

As requested, please find the following information regarding this grant application:

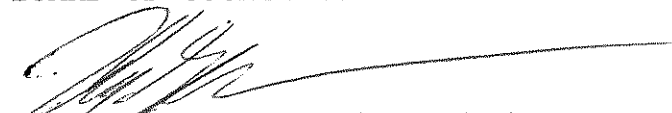
- a. Applicant Identification: Board of Jefferson County
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- b. Duns Number: 055753909
- c. Funding Requested:
- i. Grant Type: Assessment
 - ii. Amount: \$600,000
 - iii. Contamination: \$395,000 Hazardous Substances and \$205,000 Petroleum
 - iv. Grant Type: Coalition
- d. Location:
- Jefferson County, Ohio
 - City of Steubenville, Ohio
 - City of Toronto, Ohio
 - Village of Mingo Junction, Ohio
 - Village of Yorkville, Ohio
- e. Site Location: Not Applicable
- f. Contacts:
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 - ii. Chief Executive Officer
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- g. Date Submitted: January 22, 2014
- h. Project Period: 2014-2017 (Not to Exceed 3-Years)
- i. Population:
- i. Jefferson County: 69,709 (As of 2010)
City of Toronto: 5,091 (As of 2010)
City of Steubenville: 18,659 (As of 2010)
Village of Mingo Junction: 3,454 (As of 2010)
Village of Yorkville within Jefferson
County 615 (As of 2010)
 - ii. Not Applicable

j. Other Factors Checklist (Attached)

Sincerely,

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Mr. Thomas G. Gentile, Chairman

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Attachment

cc-Regional Planning Commission



Ranking Criteria for Assessment Grants

1. Community Need

a. Targeted Community and Brownfields (20 points)

i. Targeted Community Description (5 points)

Jefferson County, Ohio is located in the heart of the coal and iron-abundant Appalachian Region. The western portions of the County are comprised of agriculture interspersed with former strip and underground coal mines, while the central and eastern sections of the County, particularly along the Ohio River, have been dedicated to industries such as steel production and ceramics. **With increased foreign competition in the latter half of the 20th century, these industries, in particular steel, suffered a great decline which left behind many brownfields.** And, although we accomplished a tremendous amount of site assessment, remedial planning and community involvement with our original 2009 USEPA Coalition Assessment grant, there are still 25 brownfield sites totaling approximately 500 acres which are aligned with Jefferson County's new 2013 Land Use Plan for redevelopment. The following presents our 5 brownfield target areas for Jefferson County.

City of Steubenville, population 18,659 (2010 U.S. Census): The target area along the Ohio River encompasses a marina, former steel mill, and a paper mill. Properties at the marina are targeted for container distribution. The former steel mill and former paper mill are also within the same ½-mile stretch of the river, making those sites prime for river redevelopment. Another 185-acre steel mill adjacent to these sites has been cleaned up and is already undergoing redevelopment by River Rail Development as an industrial park for oil and gas-related companies. That property cleanup was leveraged from our 2009 USEPA Coalition Assessment grant, and is a model for our brownfield coalition. Potential contaminants from these industrial type sites include volatile organic compounds, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons, metals, and PCBs.

Village of Mingo Junction, population 3,454 (2010 U.S. Census): This target area along the Ohio River encompasses two large brownfields in Mingo Junction, and is across the main thoroughfare from residents. One is the former RG Steel plant which was sold in June 2012. It encompasses almost 300 acres, and employed over 10,000 people at its peak. The other, owned by a railroad and 32 acres, is located at the south gateway to the Village and includes a roundhouse, where maintenance was completed on rail cars and engines. These two sites overwhelm the main thoroughfare through Mingo Junction, creating blight, and health and safety issues for residents across the street and throughout the neighborhood. Potential contaminants from these industrial type sites include volatile organic compounds, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons, metals, and PCBs.

Village of Yorkville, portion of Jefferson County, population 615 (2010 U.S. Census): The Village of Yorkville has one main brownfield, the former RG Steel plant, which closed in June 2012. The target area for Yorkville encompasses this site, which is approximately 40 acres located near the Ohio River. The contaminants from this property are consistent with the contaminants from the other former RG Steel sites, volatile organic compounds, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons, metals, and PCBs.

City of Toronto, population 5,091 (2010 U.S. Census): The target area is along Franklin Avenue, the main thoroughfare through Toronto and close to the Ohio River, where there are approximately 4 to 6 former gas stations that are abandoned or being reused. These properties would best be served by redevelopment that would eliminate the blight. Contaminants are comprised primarily of total petroleum hydrocarbons, volatile organic compounds, and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons.

Jefferson County, population 69,709 (2010 U.S. Census): Jefferson County will evaluate miscellaneous brownfields outside the other four urban brownfield target areas, primarily the mined scarred lands peppering the western third of Jefferson County, which threatens County water supplies. The Coalition may evaluate up to 3 of these type sites, totaling approximately 300 acres. These are located primarily with the Yellow Creek, Cross Creek, and Short Creek watersheds, which are significantly impacted by acid mine drainage, contaminants include acidity and metals.

ii. Demographics Information (5 points)

Jefferson County grew to a peak of nearly 100,000 in 1960, but by the 1970s, the plateau and eventual downturn of the steel industry led to plant downsizings, relocations, and facility closings. **From 1970 to 2010, Jefferson County had lost 27% of its population (Ohio Office of Policy, Research and Strategic Planning), which represents the most significant decline among counties in Ohio.** The effects of the decrease in population are extensive. The Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services (ODJFS) Jefferson County profile of statistical and demographic data for 2009-2012 shows the **County had a rate of dependency of 33.2% or the 9th highest in the state.** This factor indicates the level of support provided by social welfare programs such as Disability payments, Unemployment Compensation, and Workers' Compensation. Specifically, the public assistance monthly statistics report from July 2013 shows that **in Jefferson County 19.4 % of the residents are on food stamps.** This is 23.5 % higher than the statewide rate. In addition, according to the Ohio Department of Education Office of Child Nutrition in 2012, **59 % of the children in Steubenville and 58% of the children in Toronto were receiving free or reduced lunches.**

The effects of the County's past economic decline can be seen most clearly in the table below. The American Community Survey of 2010 indicates that **Jefferson County's estimated poverty level is 18.9%.** The household income is \$36,008 compared to the State of Ohio average of \$45,090 which ranks 77th out of 88 counties in Ohio (American Community Survey 2006-2010 estimates). Below are the comparisons of demographics for Jefferson County, and Coalition communities.

	Village of Yorkville (Jefferson County Part)	Village of Mingo Junction	City of Toronto	City of Steubenville	State	US
Population	701 ⁵	3,308 ⁵	4,907 ⁵	18,564 ⁵	11,536,504 ¹	308,745,538 ¹
Unemployment	Unknown	12.60% ⁵	9.7% ⁵	10.6% ⁵	7% ⁴	8.2% ²
Poverty	11.3% ⁵	14.9% ⁵	15.7% ⁵	27.4% ⁵	15.8% ³	15.1 % ³
% Minority	2% ⁵	4.2% ⁵	1.8% ⁵	21.6% ⁵	19% ¹	26.7% ¹
Median H.H. Income	\$46,875 ⁵	\$40,368 ⁵	\$40,397 ⁵	\$34,797 ⁵	\$45,090 ³	\$49,445 ³

¹ Data is from the 2010 U.S. Census data and is available at <http://www.census.gov/>.

² Data is from the Bureau of Labor Statistics and is available at www.bls.gov.

³ Data is from the 2010 American Community Survey and is available.

⁴ Data is from the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and is available at <http://ifs.ohio.gov/>.

⁵ Population, Unemployment, Poverty % Minority, Median HH Income are all 2008-2012 ACS 5 year estimates.

iii. Brownfields (5 points)

The Coalition has 5 targeted brownfield areas, described above, with the top priority sites summarized in the following table. This table demonstrates the size of the brownfield sites and the potential health issues that have been plaguing our residents for decades. Essentially, Steubenville, the largest city in the county, has the most and largest brownfield sites, primarily old steel mills along the river. Relative to the size of the community, Mingo Junction (population 3,400) and Yorkville (615, Jefferson County portion) have 2 and 1 very large brownfields, respectively, that dramatically impact their communities. Toronto has a number of smaller, gas station size brownfield sites, but located down the main road in this small community (population 5,100). Jefferson County, as a targeted area, is mostly concerned with mine scarred lands, in the western third of the county. There are 3 main watersheds that are potentially impacted in this target area.

Target Area/Site	History	Suspected Contaminant	Health Issues
Mingo Junction			
RR Roundhouse – 32 acres	RR tank car maintenance	VOCs, PAHs, PCBs, metals	Respiratory, cancer

Target Area/Site	History	Suspected Contaminant	Health Issues
Frontier – 185 acres	Former RG Steel mill	VOCs, PAHs, PCBs, metals	Respiratory, cancer, nerve, liver damage
Steubenville			
Federal Paper Board – 5 acres	Former paper mill	PAHs, metals	Respiratory, cancer
Weirton Steel – 8 acres	Former steel mill	VOCs, PAHs, PCBs, metals	Respiratory, cancer, nerve, liver damage
Former Water Marina –1 acre	Bulk chemical operations	VOCs, PAHs, metals	Respiratory, cancer
Yorkville			
RG Steel – 40 acres	Former Steel Mill	VOCs, PAHs, PCBs, metals	Respiratory, cancer, nerve, liver damage
Toronto			
Franklin Ave Gas Station – 0.2 acre	Gasoline Station	Petroleum, metals	Respiratory, cancer
4 th and Henley Gas Station – 0.67 acres	Gasoline Station	Petroleum, metals	Respiratory, cancer
Jefferson County			
Jenesy Mine – 50+ acres	Former strip mines	acidity, metals	Dermatological, nerve
Cross Creek Area mine – 50+ acres	Former strip mines	acidity, metals	Dermatological, nerve
Short Creek Area mine – 30+acres	Former strip mines	acidity, metals	Dermatological, nerve

The impacts of these brownfield sites and others are real and direct. Most of them are located along the Ohio River, and surrounded by residential neighborhoods. They represent a history that continues to plague the County in health problems, unemployment, and loss of tax revenues. Fortunately, our County's prospects are being lifted by the influx of the oil and gas industry.

iv. Cumulative Environmental Issues (5 points)

According to the Ohio EPA issued air permits database, 24 of the 33 (72%) Jefferson County Title 5 Major air pollution permit holders have been issued to industries in the four Coalition target communities. In 2011, Jefferson County was ranked 6th highest among Ohio counties for Toxic air releases according to the Ohio EPA Toxic Chemical Release Inventory Program summary for the County. This summary also noted that in 2011 the County had total releases of over a million pounds each of Hydrochloric acid, Sulfuric acid and Barium. In July 2013, Jefferson County was listed by the US EPA as having concentrations of sulfur dioxide that violate the one hour national standard of 75 parts per billion. In addition, Jefferson County ranked among the top 10% of total environmental releases with smog and soot PM 2.5 annual average (Goodguide). In October 2013, the Ohio EPA announced it is planning to recommend that Jefferson County be designated as non-compliance under the new federal annual fine particle (PM 2.5) standard of 12 micrograms per cubic meter of air.

b. Impact on Targeted Community (15 points)

According to the Ohio Cancer Incidence Surveillance System, of the Ohio Department of Health 2010, Jefferson County had the 3rd highest (out of 88 counties) average annual number of new invasive cancer and age adjusted incidence for the period 2003 to 2007. Based on the Chronic Disease and Behavioral Epidemiology Section and the Vital Statistics Program, of the Ohio Department of Health 2010, **Jefferson County had the 9th highest average annual number of cancer deaths and age-adjusted mortality rates of Ohio counties.** In addition, vital health statistics provided by the Ohio Department of Health indicate that **Jefferson County has higher rates than the statewide averages in 8 of the 10 leading causes of mortality**, updated July 6, 2007. Highest among these are Diseases of the Heart, Malignant Neoplasms (Cancers), and Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases. Recently, the Ohio Department of Health Status Profile in May 2013 reported the County's Ovarian Cancer rate per 100,000 is

23.2, while statewide it is 10.4, **or 123% above the state rate**. The same report found Jefferson County had a Lung Cancer rate about one third higher than Ohio at 91.2 per 100,000 versus 66.6 per 100,000 for the state.

Exposure to the toxic substances historically used in Jefferson County's typical mining, production, and manufacturing operations has been directly linked to increased occurrences of asthma, respiratory irritations, as well as lung disorders and cancers. One result of being exposed to this environment is that according to the Ohio Department of Health 2011, **the percentage of screened children with elevated lead blood levels in Jefferson County was the third highest in the state at 2.02%**. In addition, the 2010 Ohio EPA All Ohio Air Toxics Report statewide air toxics study showed that Jefferson County has both the highest cancer and noncancer risk estimates for volatile organic compounds.

These statistics are troubling, and even more troubling is that about 80% of all of our industry and brownfield sites, according to GIS analysis, are located in HUD defined Low to Moderate Income block groups, which contain the greatest sensitive populations. For example, 18.9% of the County's residents live in poverty (American Community Survey of 2010 one year estimate). In addition, the 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates indicates that 56% of the County's families headed by females with children (no husband present) are below the poverty level. Also, there is a relatively high aging population, as 18.4% of the population of Jefferson County is over 65, compared with only 14.3% for the State of Ohio (U.S. Census Bureau, 2011 population estimates). Elderly and children are more vulnerable to pollutants. In addition, the three most significant brownfield sites in the County, all former steel mills, are located in areas with high groundwater pollution potential as defined by Ohio EPA's mapping service, and are within ¼-mile of the Ohio River – Jefferson County's major water resource. **Jefferson County is among the 10 percent worst counties nationally when it comes to the total number of impaired water bodies and ranks 6th poorest in the state among Ohio's counties in this category (Goodguide). More than 50% of Jefferson County residents rely on the surface water and approximately 25% rely on the groundwater as a water supply.**

Currently, residents have been issued a fish consumption advisory for portions of the Ohio River, Cross Creek and Jefferson Lake. Specifically, the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission has recommended that residents consume no more than one meal per week of such species as the Common Carp and Channel Catfish due to PCB and mercury contamination in the river, which are attributable to contaminants in our brownfield sites, such as the steel mills. Also, the Water Sanitation Commission in its September 2002 report Ohio River Total Maximum Daily Load for PCBs to the Ohio River near Steubenville found the highest levels of PCBs in river sediment. **This has had an environmental concern because of the endangered Sheepsnose and Snuff box Mussels in the River (US Fish and Wildlife Service).**

c. Financial Need (10 points)

i. Economic Conditions (5 points)

The Ohio Local Government Fund has had substantial cuts that have affected all of the Coalition communities. **According to the Ohio Department of Taxation between 2008 and 2012, Steubenville, Mingo Junction and Toronto have all seen their local government fund distributions decline by some 40%.** Audits submitted to the Ohio State Auditor by Coalition members show just how much fiscal stress brownfield sites have caused. For example, Steubenville's audits indicate that the taxable assessed value of the city's former RG Steel Mill declined by 45% between 2008 and 2012. **Even more troubling, the Village of Mingo Junction's audits state its municipal income tax revenues between 2006 and 2012 have declined by 60%.** Mingo Junction's revenue reduction is directly related to the shutdown of the former RG Steel plant, a site that used to employ 10,000 people, that is also one of the properties targeted for redevelopment by the Coalition. All of these factors help to explain why the State of Ohio Development Services Agency has designated Jefferson County a distressed county. Because of the decline of the County population, employment, and tax revenues, the communities of Jefferson County have fewer resources. Budget constraints, due to decreased revenues, have made it a challenge to provide necessary services, while private businesses and property owners are not in a position to be proactive in addressing environmental issues. **Due to municipality funding cuts, many of the entities (townships and villages) are discussing plans to**

combine their efforts in order to maintain the present infrastructure, let alone finding and dedicating the resources to manage or even strategize about brownfield sites. Therefore, the Coalition allows us to pool our resources and helps to collaborate on the bigger picture of brownfield redevelopment.

ii. Economic Effects of Brownfields (5 points)

From 1970 to 2010, Jefferson County had lost 27% of its population (Ohio Office of Policy, Research and Strategic Planning), which represents the most significant decline among counties in Ohio. According to the Ohio Labor Market Information website, **approximately 60% of Jefferson County's manufacturing jobs disappeared between 2000 and 2011.** As for the steel industry, it is estimated that 9 of every 10 jobs in that sector have vanished. For example, one of Jefferson County's most consistent employers, **RG Steel and predecessor companies, went from 19,000 employees in the 1970s to 1,800 in 2005.** By June 2012, all the plants were totally shuttered (Progress Alliance-predecessor to Jefferson County Port Authority). This has contributed to **Property tax delinquencies of 8.2%** (Jefferson County Auditor) in the Coalition communities. This is double the rate found in a national study (Pew). In addition, as cited earlier, **19.4% of Jefferson County residents are on food stamps,** which is 23.5 % higher than the statewide rate, and **59 % of the children in Steubenville and 58% of the children in Toronto were receiving free or reduced lunches.**

2. Project Description and Feasibility of Success (50 points)

a. Project Description (25 points) Oil and Gas – Redevelopment Strategy

i. Project Description and How it Aligns with Target Community's Land Use/Revitalization Plan (10 points)

This important brownfield effort is being directed by the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition, using the vision of Jefferson County's 2013 Land Use Plan, which in part, has a specific goal to clean up and redevelop brownfield properties. The basis for this new Land Use Plan is to capitalize on the insurgence of the Utica Shale oil and gas exploration opportunities afforded our County. We will leverage the tremendous brownfield progress made during the Coalition's 2009 USEPA Brownfield Coalition Assessment grant. **The key to accommodating the influx of oil and gas businesses is freeing up properties to meet the demand, which will be assisted by conducting environmental assessments at priority properties, and conducting remedial action planning for those sites.** The resulting outputs and subsequent anticipated outcomes of this project, which are consistent with the three major goals of the Land Use Plan, are summarized in the following table:

Task	Outputs	Outcomes
Site Inventory & Prioritization	Prioritize up to 20 sites for the 5 target brownfield areas	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Improve quality of life by cleanup at least 300 acres of brownfields posing health threats to residents and recreational and water supply - Ohio River. 2. Improve infrastructure by redevelopment of at least 300 acres of brownfields. 3. Stimulating the emerging oil and gas workforce through brownfield redevelopment, worker training and education.
Phase I and II ESAs	Phase Is - 17; Phase IIs - 11	
Remedial Planning	RAPs - 3	
Community Involvement	At least 2 public meetings/year	
Programmatic	Meet USEPA reporting requirements	

Our plan for this assessment project is to focus on the highest requested properties, and properties with the highest redevelopment potential, which are along the Ohio River. In our first coalition assessment grant, we took a more global approach to the brownfield sites in the County, with target areas in the three river communities and the County sites, in general. **The plan for this grant is to focus on sites primarily along the Ohio River,** including our largest and newest brownfield sites, the RG Steel plants in Mingo Junction and Yorkville, Ohio, which total over 220 acres. **The Coalition will use the successful redevelopment model used for the Steubenville RG Steel site, which was evaluated during the 2009 USEPA grant.** This 185-acre site was evaluated under the USEPA grant, cleaned up using a Clean Ohio grant, and **purchased by River Rail Development, which invested \$4,493,000,** converting the property to an industrial part for oil and gas supply companies.

A key to the successful outputs and outcomes, with respect to the brownfield site inventory and prioritization process, will be the assistance of the Jefferson County Port Authority, a Coalition member and economic development partnership between the County, the City of Steubenville and the Regional Planning Commission. Jefferson County Port Authority is spearheading and orchestrating the efforts to bring the oil and gas industry to Jefferson County, and is acting as the conduit between the County, oil and gas businesses, and available properties. **The Jefferson County Port Authority is getting the brownfield sites in the redevelopment pipe line, matching the current property with potential future property owners, and then seeing that the assessment, cleanup and other redevelopment needs are met so that new businesses can be launched at formerly abandoned sites, as was done with River Rail Development.**

Another key to our grant outcomes is the training and retraining of our people in Jefferson County. With this emerging market in the County, there is a need for skilled workers in the oil and gas industry. One of our community partners in this grant, and as discussed later, is the Eastern Gateway Community College. **The college has a shale gas training program**, and is beginning to place its graduates with these new businesses entering our community. It is estimated that 500 to 750 new jobs will go to locally trained residents in the oil and gas supply chain this year. We have heard that it is a priority of oil and gas businesses to hire local workers and use local vendors.

ii. Describe the Project Management Approach to Ensure Completion within 3 Years (5 points)

Under the direction of the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission, Jefferson County, the applicant of this grant, will oversee a Coalition comprised of Jefferson County, the Jefferson County Port Authority, and four major Ohio River entities in the County – City of Steubenville, City of Toronto, Village of Mingo Junction, and Village of Yorkville. The Coalition members, as well as members of the Jefferson County Brownfield Taskforce, will inventory and prioritize the brownfield properties located primarily along and adjacent to the Ohio River for the purpose of environmental assessment and remedial action planning. **The Planning Commission and the Brownfield Taskforce, with its experience in the 2009 USEPA Brownfield grant, have been through the procurement process with environmental contractors**, understands the depth of experience with firms in the region, and can expedite the procurement of the contractors within 4 to 8 weeks of solicitation of firms. It gives us a head start with the community kickoff meeting and preparation of the Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP), so we can initiate Phase I and Phase II work concurrent with site selection and prioritization.

The Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission will administer the grant and ensure all tracking and measurements of progress are accomplished. During each quarterly report, the County will track its progress in the sections detailed: Work Plan Activities & Timeframe for Accomplishment; Results of Activities (*i.e.*, Outputs), which details reports completed and deliverables submitted to U.S. EPA; and Projected Environmental Improvement (*i.e.*, Outcomes). We will update and submit our ACRES reports when milestones are achieved for each site (Phase I ESA, Phase II ESA, RAPs).

iii. Site Selection (10 points)

The Coalition has set its site priorities based on the 2013 County Land Use Plan, the Steubenville Comprehensive Plan and our 2009 USEPA Brownfield Coalition Grant – **cultivating sites found along the Ohio River, the prime real estate, and matching them up with new business/redevelopment ventures, primarily in the oil and gas industry**, the County's new emerging industry. We have already prioritized and selected sites based on attractiveness to the oil/gas market – larger acreage sites with existing infrastructure, proximity to rail and the Ohio River. As with all sites, we will first establish the eligibility for the site. If the site is found eligible, other selection and prioritization criteria include ability to address and eliminate public health, safety, and environmental issues; eligibility with the Ohio EPA's Voluntary Action Program (VAP) for leveraged state cleanup money; benefit to low and moderate income areas, condition of existing infrastructure available for reuse; and the potential redevelopment and job creation opportunities for the property. Site selection and inventory is discussed at every Coalition Brownfield Taskforce meeting, and the public, property owners and developers are encouraged to participate. We have done this for the six public Coalition Brownfield Taskforce meetings we have had since 2009.

Access to properties can be challenging, particularly when the program was first started. We held meetings to discuss the brownfield process, and the benefits to property owners to be able to get a Phase I and Phase II ESA paid for through the grant process. Property owners can be skeptical of someone checking records of their property, let alone collecting soil and groundwater samples. **A relationship of trust must be developed and the Coalition has gone to great lengths to establish that with property owners** through the public meetings, and holding private individual meetings with property owners. Because our program has been in place several years, the Coalition has a great track record with our community.

b. Task Description and Budget Table (20 points)

Task Description (15 points)

Task 1: Site Inventory and Prioritization: \$10,000

The Coalition will further identify and prioritize potentially contaminated sites started by the Brownfield Task Force, using an environmental consultant. Properties will be prioritized as discussed above. The estimated cost for this task is \$10,000 to **inventory and prioritize as many as 20 existing sites and 15 new sites**. This involves the environmental consultant generating and maintaining an inventory and prioritization site database with scoring system, and inputting and maintaining the County's Regional Planning Office's GIS web-based site inventory system that was created for the last grant.

Task 2: Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments: \$490,000

The bulk of the grant funds will be spent on this assessment task. All assessment work will be overseen by an Ohio EPA Voluntary Action Program Certified Professional. After U.S. EPA site eligibility determination and prioritization by the Brownfield Taskforce, sites will undergo Phase I ESAs to meet U.S. EPA's All Appropriate Inquiry standards, and may also be completed to meet the Phase I requirements under Ohio EPA's Voluntary Action Program (VAP). By meeting the VAP standards, these sites will be eligible to leverage additional assessment and cleanup funding through the Ohio Development Services Agency's Clean Ohio Funds, which is the State of Ohio's brownfield grant program for assessment and cleanup. **For Phase I ESAs, it is estimated that 10 hazardous substance sites (average size 15 acres), at an average cost of \$6,000 (\$60,000), and 7 petroleum sites (corner gas station size) at an average cost of \$3,500 (\$24,500) totaling \$84,500 will be performed.**

It is estimated that 7 of the Phase I ESA hazardous substance sites will need Phase II ESAs at an average cost of \$40,000 per site (\$280,000), and 4 of the petroleum sites will need a Phase II ESA at an average cost of \$30,000 per site (\$120,000), totaling \$400,000. Prior to beginning any Phase II Assessment work, the environmental consultant will develop a Quality Assurance/Quality Control Project Plans (QAPP) for U.S. EPA's approval, at an estimated cost of \$5,500. In addition, the consultant will also develop site specific Sampling and Analysis Plans (SAP) for U.S. EPA approval, and a site specific Health and Safety Plans (HASPs) will also be prepared prior conducting any field work. The estimated costs for the SAPs and HASPs are included in the Phase II cost estimate above. **Therefore, the total cost of this assessment task is Phase I \$84,500 + Phase II \$400,000 + QAPP \$5,500 = \$490,000.**

For the hazardous substance sites, Phase II work will be completed to meet the ASTM-1903-97 standard and also follow Ohio EPA's Voluntary Action Program guidance and cleanup standards. For the petroleum sites, the Phase II work will be completed to meet requirements of ASTM-1903-05, and in accordance with Ohio's Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations (BUSTR).

Task 3: Remedial and End Use Planning: \$60,000

After Phase II Assessment completion, it is estimated 5 hazardous substance sites and 3 petroleum sites will need remedial action planning and coordination with site redevelopment. The planning for each site is estimated to be \$7,500, and include a remedial action plan (RAP) for evaluating the alternatives and costs for cleaning up each site. In addition, the planning will include working with the potential property owner or developer to integrate remedial alternatives with redevelopment of the property. These RAPs will also be used to pursue cleanup

funds from U.S. EPA and the Ohio Development Services Agency Clean Ohio Funds (up to \$1,000,000) to leverage the U.S. EPA brownfield assessment grant funding.

Task 4: Community Outreach: \$16,000

Over the last 4 years during the 2009 USEPA Coalition grant, we have engaged neighborhood associations, business owners, property owners, developers, and other interested parties on our brownfield program through community engagement meetings, and various media. We plan to continue our outreach and engagement property primarily through our Brownfield Taskforce meetings and special events involving brownfield cleanup and redevelopment. **Community meetings will be held semi-annually, with other meetings being held during certain milestones of the brownfield grant program.** It is estimated that the environmental consultant will cost \$12,000 for meetings and presentations over the 3-year period, and in-kind services from the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission to support the meetings. The consulting staff time was weighted more toward petroleum as there are more sites, which may take more effort in the community and property owner outreach. The task also includes preparation and distribution of informational materials (\$4,000 material production, and public notices). The Coalition will work cooperatively with the Brownfield Task Force to update citizens of our proposed project and to keep them updated of our progress throughout grant implementation.

Task 5: Programmatic Costs: \$24,000

For this task, \$24,000 is being requested, \$17,000 (850 hour staff time at average \$20/hour) for leading meetings, managing the site selection and prioritization process, review and evaluation of reports and document submittal for USEPA required reporting (i.e., quarterly and annual progress reports), and \$1,000 for oversight by the environmental consultant for technical issues and quality assurance/quality control. Funds are also being requested for 2 to 3 staff people for travel expenses (\$6,000) to the national brownfield conference and regional brownfield conferences. The Coalition will provide approximately another \$10,000 of in-kind staff time for programmatic costs associated with this grant (average 500 hours at \$20/hour).

Budget Table (5 points)

Hazardous Substance Assessment Budget

Budget Categories	Task 1	Task 2	Task 3	Task 4	Task 5	Total
	Site Inventory and Prioritization	Site Assessments	Remedial and End Use Planning	Community Involvement	Programmatic Costs	
Personnel - H					\$12,000	\$12,000
Personnel - P					\$5,000	\$5,000
Travel - H	--	--	--	--	\$3,000	\$3,000
Travel - P					\$3,000	\$3,000
Supplies - H	--	--	--	\$2,000		\$2,000
Supplies - P				\$2,000		\$2,000
Contractual - H	\$5,000	\$340,000	\$30,000	\$2,500	\$500	\$378,000
Contractual - P	\$5,000	\$150,000	\$30,000	\$9,500	\$500	\$195,000
Subtotal H	\$5,000	\$340,000	\$30,000	\$4,500	\$15,500	\$395,000
Subtotal P	\$5,000	\$150,000	\$30,000	\$11,500	\$8,500	\$205,000
TOTAL GRANT	\$10,000	\$490,000	\$60,000	\$16,000	\$24,000	\$600,000

c. Ability to Leverage

The following table provides a sampling of the Coalitions leveraged funding commitments. Particularly significant is our private partnership with River Rail and leveraging of their \$4,493,000 investment to develop the former RG Steel plant into an industrial park for the oil and gas industry. Supporting documentation is found in Appendix D.

Fund/Program	Amount	Description
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CDBG – infrastructure	\$168,000 committed	Street improvements Village of Mingo Junction
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Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission	\$10,000 committed	Staff time, 500 hours at \$20/hour to commit to programmatic tasks associated with the project including community involvement, site selection, and USEPA reporting requirements.

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b. Partnership with Government Agencies (10 points)

i. Local/State/Tribal Environmental and Health Agencies (5 points)

The County has teamed up with Ohio EPA on a couple different fronts. Regarding water resources in Jefferson County, the Ohio River and the major watersheds feeding the Ohio River, are very important to ecological and human health impacts in our County. **Through the Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters, six public water suppliers from the County completed a two-year long training course to complete protection plans for the County's water supply.** This involved jointly crafting a plan to address best management practices, emergency planning, and community outreach for the different public water suppliers in the County, which Ohio EPA has endorsed. This will go a long way to protecting the susceptible water supplies described earlier under Community Need Section. Ohio EPA has provided technical support of evaluation of the Voluntary Action Program standards (brownfield cleanup standards) for a number of properties, and provided educational support at our regional community brownfield seminar in October 2013.

The Coalition will continue to notify the Ohio EPA and the Jefferson County Health Department if assessment results indicate an imminent threat to human health and the environment. The Jefferson County Health Department was involved in asbestos abatement activities during remediation at the former RG Steel facility in Steubenville, where River Rail Development has cleaned up the property for redevelopment as an industrial park for the oil and gas industry. Also, the Administrator from the Jefferson County Board of Health is on the Brownfield Task Force, and has participated in various activities related to planning and public outreach for the brownfield grant. Communications for this effort is streamlined as the Jefferson County Board of Health is in the same building as the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission, the administrator of this grant for Jefferson County.

ii. Other relevant federal, state, and local governmental agencies (5 points)

The County is working with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to evaluate watersheds in the County impacted from mine-scarred lands. In addition, the Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District has helped to drive the assessment and cleanup of the surface waters in the County. They provide technical assistance to County landowners through the engineering of conservation projects, soils investigations, drainage problem investigations,

grazing and crop management plans, and the investigation of agricultural/non-point source pollution complaints. The Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District, as well as the Yellow Creek Watershed Group, are on the County's Brownfield Task Force.

c. Partnership with Community Organizations (10 points)

Particularly in the past year, the Coalition has added a number of strong community partnerships as part of the Brownfield Task Force, as we have established a successful national brownfield program. **As a result of our recent rollout and implementation of the 2013 Jefferson County Land Use Plan and our brownfields recognition award for leadership and commitment from USEPA Region 5 at the 2013 USEPA Brownfields Conference**, the Coalition has been able to add valuable community partners. Our partners will be asked to provide input for additional brownfield sites, promote the brownfield program, provide educational and training opportunities for employment and job creation, and market the County for the emerging oil and gas industry.

Steubenville Revitalization Group. The mission of the group is to foster and develop downtown Steubenville as a viable location for business, culture, and recreation. The group holds public meetings to get feedback from local residents and businesses. **It meets once a month, and has agreed to provide a quarterly forum where revitalization issues including brownfield redevelopment can be discussed.** As part of this group's endeavor, the Grand Theatre in downtown Steubenville was evaluated under the Coalition's first USEPA Coalition Assessment grant, and this was used to leverage state funds for remediation of asbestos in the theatre.

Mingo Revitalization Committee. The mission of the organization is to make the Village a better place to live and raise a family by attracting businesses and writing grants for improvement projects. **The organization will create a website where land available for business development is displayed to help end users with property searches.**

Toronto Coalition for Revitalization. The goal of this organization is to support the efforts of city government and civic organizations, and assist in the promotion of the revitalization plan to bring business to Toronto. **For this grant, the organization will work with the Coalition to bring a bikeway through the City thereby enhancing both the community and the redevelopment potential of its brownfield sites.**

Jefferson County Community Action Council. The mission of the organization is to restore and revitalize the quality of life in the County and move residents toward self-sufficiency. Goals are achieved by adapting and providing programs that are accessible, affordable and culturally sensitive to meet the needs of the community. **The CAC will be hosting a series of informational workshops to help explain how residents can enter careers in the oil and gas industry, which will help promote outcomes for workforce growth.**

Eastern Gateway Community College. Offers associate degrees and certificate programs in dozens of career areas, including an Environmental Science Program that is designated for those desiring entry level positions in fields like environmental science and green collar jobs. In addition, Eastern Gateway just began offering a new short-term certificate to prepare students for jobs in the oil and gas industry operation and maintenance technical field. **Eastern Gateway plans to support the grant by offering space for taskforce meetings as well as staff expertise.**

Jefferson County Trails and Greenways. The organization promotes good health and quality of life in the County, and is working on the Rehabilitation Trail, designed to assist those who have recent illnesses. **They will work with the Coalition to establish and connect trails that may have been former brownfield sites.**

Appalachian Partnership for Economic Growth. The organization is one of 6 JobsOhio Network Partners. JobsOhio is the state agency for job creation and economic development. The organization gave a presentation at the October 2013 regional brownfield seminar hosted by the Coalition, and **will continue to support the Coalition in outreach efforts through discussions and dissemination of information about state programs to redevelop brownfields.**

4. Project Benefits (30 points)

a. Health and/or Welfare and Environment (10 points)

The Coalition's outcomes are in synch with the three primary outcome goals of Jefferson County's 2013 Land Use Plan – **enhance quality of community and family life (health), improve and expand infrastructure and stimulating workforce and economic development.** From a health and environment standpoint, cleanup of these brownfield sites in Jefferson County will be significantly improved by the removal of soil and/or groundwater contamination caused from the historic operations of steel mills, mine-scarred lands, and other industrial manufacturing. These contaminants include volatile organic compounds, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), heavy metals, various petroleum hydrocarbons, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). This public health improvement will occur because the assessments and cleanups are being conducted according to the Ohio EPA Voluntary Action Program. **This is a risk-based program, in that the properties are cleaned up to meet the existing and future land uses and are protective of the receptors, such as workers, visitors, trespassers, residents, children, and ecological receptors such as rivers and streams.** All activities will be performed using an Ohio EPA Voluntary Action Program Certified Professional who is an engineer/geologist certified by the Ohio EPA in the brownfield program.

In order to assure public health and safety during the assessment and cleanup activities for the target areas, all activities will have site specific health and safety plans developed in order to be protective of on-site workers, as well as the immediate surrounding community. These plans will address how contractors will be required to meet state standards to minimize airborne emissions, dust, odor, and noise; prevent soil erosion; protect any nearby ecosystems; and ensure that contaminants are properly excavated, stockpiled and disposed. Engineering controls, such as the use of silt fences, dust control measures, muffling noise, restricting operations to daylight hours, will be used to mitigate the environmental impact of assessment and remedial activities. This will assure that each property assessed and redeveloped will lower the exposure of neighboring inhabitants to hazardous contaminants that create negative health and environmental effects. Jefferson County will work with the Ohio EPA and Jefferson County Health Department through each step of the process to ensure worker and community wellbeing, and notify the Health Department if there is a danger to residential and worker health and the environment.

The assessments and subsequent cleanups of properties include mine-scarred lands directly impacting the local watersheds, such as Yellow Creek and Cross Creek. This and other watersheds in Jefferson County are directly tied to water supply systems for many residents in the County, as up to 50% of Jefferson County residents use surface water sources for their drinking water supply. The outcomes from this grant would be the protection of major water supplies to the target area communities.

b. Environmental Benefits from Infrastructure Reuse/Sustainable Reuse (10 points)

i. *Planning, policies, and ordinances for sustainable development (5 points)*

To promote environmentally-conscience redevelopment of brownfields, the **County is reusing and recycling the clean hard fill generated during site remediation.** In these situations, we use demolished structures and building materials (clean hard fill) as backfill in the excavations. We also are recycling building materials, as many of the brownfield sites could have valuable bricks, scrap metals, and other revenue-generating materials that would offset cleanup costs or redevelopment efforts. As an example of the reuse/recycling in brownfield redevelopment, the former RG Steel property in Steubenville recycled much of the metal from demolished buildings.

The County is also undertaking compliance with the U.S. EPA and Ohio EPA to update municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4) to obtain a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit and develop a stormwater management program designed to prevent harmful pollutants from being washed by stormwater runoff into local water bodies. Presently, the Village of Mingo Junction is undertaking the task of sewer/stormwater separation. The combined sewer overflow long-term control plan has an estimated cost of \$9,000,000.

ii. Example of Equitable Development (5 points)

Eleven of the brownfield sites that make up the Jefferson County Brownfields inventory are in the historic core of Steubenville. These sites represent our largest concentration of Brownfields and addressing environmental issues at these properties dovetails with an **effort to encourage urban gardening/agriculture that is being launched in the downtown area. Of the six livability principals established by the Partnership of Sustainable Communities, this is No. 6 – Value Communities and Neighborhoods.** This urban agriculture initiative is a joint project of the Urban Mission and the Jefferson County 4H and will start to address the food desert issue in the central core of the City. This initiative will be the first project of the newly established Downtown Steubenville 4-H club, and is being created under the direction of Jefferson County Ohio State Extension. Each participant will have a 25 square foot plot on a raised bed to garden or grow food. The tentative site for the urban agricultural initiative is to be at the Urban Mission in Downtown Steubenville. This effort will not only start to address the food desert in the downtown area but will also help to make Steubenville a healthier place to live.

Under livability principal No. 3, “enhance economic competitiveness”, **Eastern Gateway, a community partner, has training programs directly related to skills required for jobs in the natural gas and oil drilling industry.** Many of these programs are currently offered as customizable training options for companies. By assisting the natural gas sector with training, Eastern Gateway is facilitating the growth of an industry that can be a primary end user of brownfield sites in Jefferson County. In addition, **the Jefferson County Education Service Center is providing a similar role by sponsoring a program, the Utica Academy** to offer specialized education to high school students wishing to work in the oil and gas field.

c. Economic or Non-Economic Benefits (long term benefits)

i. Economic Benefits (5 points)

There are approximately 300 acres in the Jefferson County Brownfield's inventory suitable for industrial development. **If these sites (which are almost all unused) were redeveloped for the oil and gas sector, they could produce close to 3,000 jobs.** This employment estimate assumes on an average of 10 jobs per acre for industrial uses and is based on the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Land Use Model Grid. According to the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, the average annual salary for all industries in Ohio is \$43,687. **Thus, the redevelopment of these sites could generate a payroll gain for the County of \$131,000,000.** One of the Coalition members, the Jefferson County Port Authority, is leading this charge, and states that more than 200,000 jobs will be created in Ohio by 2015 in the new oil and gas market (Ohio Shale Coalition). And, after only 2 years into it, Jefferson County has experienced a \$2.7 billion investment in local drilling capital ventures (Ohio Shale Coalition). In 2012, eight new businesses have been opened that are tied to the oil and gas industry, amounting to approximately 500 new jobs. Our partnership with River Rail Development and their \$4,493,000 investment in the former RG Steel plant to create jobs in the oil and gas industry is a great example of what is happening.

ii. Planned Efforts to Promote Local Hiring or Link Community to Potential Employment (5 points)

Eastern Gateway Community College currently offers an Environmental Science Program that is designed for those desiring entry-level positions in fields like environmental science and green collar jobs. These fields of employment are a key to successful Brownfield redevelopment. As mentioned above, Eastern Gateway also has training programs directly related to skills required for jobs in the natural gas and oil drilling industry. Many of these programs are currently offered as customizable training options for companies. In addition, the Jefferson County Education Service Center is providing a similar role by sponsoring a program, the Utica Academy to offer specialized education to high school students wishing to work in the oil and gas field.

5. Programmatic Capability and Past Performance (40 points)

a. Programmatic Capability (24 points)

The Coalition has a strong brownfield management team to successfully implement and accomplish the goals of the grant. We demonstrated it with our \$1,000,000 USEPA Coalition Brownfield Assessment grant. We have the same

management team in place, have strengthened it, and now have over 3 years of direct experience in managing a USEPA Brownfield Coalition Assessment grant. As a demonstration of our programmatic capabilities, **Jefferson County Coalition received a Brownfields Recognition Award for Leadership and Commitment from USEPA during the 2013 National Brownfield Conference.**

The grant will be managed through the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission for the County. The Planning Commission has three full time employees: the Executive Director, Planner, and Administrative Assistant. This staff manages all the current grants and has the capacity to manage this grant. The Planning Commission will dedicate 25% of the Planner's time to this grant as the project manager. He will oversee all the tasks of the project, secure and oversee the environmental consultants, and coordinate activities with Coalition members. The Administrative Assistant will provide the necessary support. The Executive Director will oversee the entire grant, and work with all the other Coalition members and the selected environmental consultant on a successful and effective strategy for implementing the grant to achieve the successes for all the Coalition members. Once the grant has been awarded, the Planner will establish the system for tracking and managing the project, including developing spreadsheets for all the budgets, and the schedule for the tasks. These systems will be similar to the previous grant, although they will be enhanced based on our experience with the original assessment grant. Schedules will be coordinated with the Coalition members. The County tracks its grants through the auditor's office by way of drawdowns and tracks them in the office with an Excel spreadsheet. As with the 2009 grant, all the specific brownfield site assessment information will be entered into ACRES in a timely manner for USEPA's use and accounting.

The Executive Director of the Planning Commission, Mr. Domenick Mucci, Jr., has demonstrated experience administering grants and community funds as both the Mayor of Steubenville and the Director of the Planning Commission. Mr. Mucci has been a public servant for 32 years and the Mayor of Steubenville for 21 of those years. Director Mucci's accomplishments with respect to program management are extensive, and include initiating a \$50,000,000 capital improvement project for the City of Steubenville; applied/administered Federal CDBG program, a successful \$1,000,000 Phase I and Phase II Environmental US EPA coalition Brownfield assessment grant; and ODOT and Federal Highway Improvement, along with Federal By-Way Grants.

The Planner for the Planning Commission, Rich Fender, has substantial experience as a Project Manager. Thirty-eight environmental studies have been completed during the three years he has overseen the administration of the County's past \$1,000,000 USEPA Brownfield Coalition assessment grant. He has provided oversight of the environmental consultants on the project, USEPA reporting requirements, and has been the liaison between the Coalition, Brownfield Taskforce and the public. In addition, Mr. Fender has attended numerous Brownfield trainings including the National Brownfields Conference in 2011 in Philadelphia. He also assisted the National Conference by compiling Jefferson County brownfield site information for the Conference web site.

The Administrative Assistant, Betty Lou Tarr, has been a mainstay of the organization for over 16 years. Ms. Tarr has been responsible for draw downs, invoicing and the processing of grant payments for a \$1,000,000 USEPA Brownfields coalition grant. In addition, Ms. Tarr possesses a working corporate knowledge of all grants which have passed through the organization. She is well versed on the CDBG, CHIP, Natureworks, FEMA Mitigation, the Ohio Historical Society's Certified Local Government program and various water projects.

The Planning Commission will go through a procurement process to contract with a highly qualified environmental consultant to address the technical requirements of the project, primarily the prioritization, Phase I, Phase II and remedial planning tasks. The Planning Commission has vast experience with the procurement and selection of the consultants based on our 2009 USEPA Coalition assessment grant.

As a backup to the Brownfields project manager (Rich Fender), it is anticipated the Executive Director would take his place, City of Toronto Mayor John Geddis would assist in the project management responsibilities. Mayor Geddis has directly managed two brownfield assessment and cleanup projects through the Ohio Development Services Agency's Clean Ohio program. In addition, County Engineer James Branagan or County Commissioner Dave Maple

is capable of assisting in the management and direction of the grant. As a County Commissioner, Mr. Maple currently oversees Mr. Mucci's position as Director of the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission. If the Administrative Assistant, Ms. Tarr, were to leave the Planning Commission Vicki Winski at the Jefferson County Auditor's Office would take her place as she has been involved with financial processes with the County's current USEPA brownfields coalition assessment grant.

b. Audit Findings (2 points)

The Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission has not had any adverse audit findings on any grants, nor has the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission ever been required to comply with special "high risk" terms under agency regulations implementing OMB Circular A-102.

c. Past Performance and Accomplishments (14 points)

i. Currently or Have Ever Received an EPA Brownfields Grant

1. Compliance with Grant Requirements

In 2009, the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition was awarded a 3-year, \$1,000,000 USEPA Brownfield Coalition Assessment grant. We were in compliance with the grant work plan, schedule, terms and conditions, as well as the grants reporting of, financial status reports and the filling of Assessment, Cleanup, Redevelopment Exchange System (ACRES) reports. We understand the importance of ACRES as a tracking and monitoring tool for U.S. EPA, as the information provided in ACRES is current. We did get an extension to complete the grant. Of the \$1,000,000, only \$155 remained in the grant budget when it was completed.

2. Accomplishments (7 points)

Our 2009 grant funded 23 Phase I environmental site assessments, 11 Phase II environmental site assessments, 1 remedial action plan, 3 asbestos surveys, and 6 public meetings. These numbers meet the environmental study outputs established in the 2009 USEPA assessment grant application. We helped return 5 brownfield properties to beneficial reuse, including one of the properties put back to use as greenspace. Furthermore, the grant has exceeded our employment **outcome goal** of 50 with cumulative job growth totaling 124. Probably one of the biggest statements to our accomplishments is **Brownfields Recognition Award for Leadership and Commitment we received from USEPA during the 2013 National Brownfield Conference.**

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The outputs along with the other details required per site in ACRES were submitted on-going as the grant progressed.

APPENDIX A

THRESHOLD CRITERIA

Threshold Criteria for Assessment Grants

1. Applicant Eligibility: Jefferson County is the applicant under this coalition grant. Jefferson County, under the Board of Commissioners, is a local unit of government as defined in 40 CFR Part 31.3 under the Brownfields Law and is eligible to receive funding through the U.S. EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant Program. Other members of the Coalition are the City of Steubenville, City of Toronto, Village of Mingo Junction, Village of Yorkville, and the Jefferson County Port Authority. The four municipality members and Port Authority are eligible to receive funding through the U.S. EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant Program, as each is a local unit of government as defined in 40 CFR Part 31.3 under the Brownfields Law. Coalition support letters from Steubenville, Toronto, Mingo Junction, Yorkville, and the Port Authority are attached in Appendix E.

2. Letter from the State or Tribal Environmental Authority: Letters of support for the Coalition's grant application from the Ohio EPA and the Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations are included as Appendix B.

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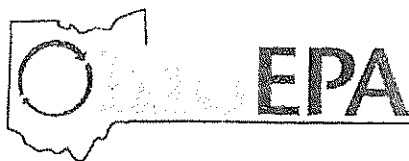
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4. Site Eligibility & Property Ownership Eligibility: This section is not applicable as Jefferson County is applying as a Coalition.

APPENDIX B

STATE OR TRIBAL ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORITY SUPPORT LETTERS



John R. Kasich, Governor
Mary Taylor, Lt. Governor
Craig W. Butler, Interim Director

January 10, 2014

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 5
Brownfields and Early Action Section
ATTN: Linda Mangrum and Kelley Moore
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Mail Code SM-7J
Chicago, IL 60604-3507

RE: Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition Community-Wide Assessment Grant Proposal

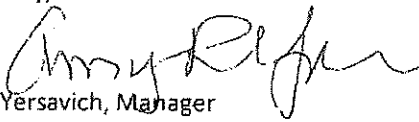
Dear Ms. Mangrum and Ms. Moore:

I am pleased to offer Ohio EPA's support for the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition Community-Wide Assessment Grant proposal. The Coalition, consisting of the City of Steubenville, City of Toronto, Village of Mingo Junction, Village of Yorkville, and the Jefferson County Port Authority, is applying for a Brownfields Community-wide Assessment Grant from the United States Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$600,000. We have worked with Ohio's Brownfield communities in the past and hope to be able to provide support to this Coalition under the Assessment, Cleanup and Revolving Loan Fund Grant program established by the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfield Revitalization Act (P.L. 107-118).

The funding the Coalition is requesting will be used to complete Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments, and Remedial Action Plans for brownfield sites that we not covered during their \$1,000,000 U.S. EPA Brownfield Assessment Grant over the last three years. The Coalition has not selected specific sites but will use the funding to target and assist 3 former RG Steel sites that were recently sold. In addition, Jefferson County has 12 hazardous substance sites, and approximately 8 petroleum sites along and adjacent to the Ohio River to conduct environmental assessments. If awarded, this funding would allow the County to streamline the due diligence process for potential developers and buyers so redevelopment of available brownfield sites can move forward.

We look forward to working with the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition and U.S. EPA on this project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 614-644-2285.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amy Yersavich". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Amy" being more prominent than the last name "Yersavich".

Amy Yersavich, Manager

Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

Site Assistance and Brownfield Revitalization

cc: Rich Fender, Planner, Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission

Larry Smith, Principal Consultant, GT Environmental, Inc.

Ed Gortner, Ohio EPA, DERR/SEDO



Department of Commerce

Division of State Fire Marshal
John R. Kasich, Governor
David Goodman, Director

January 8, 2014

Ms. Linda Mangrum
U.S. EPA Brownfield Contact, Region 5
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
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Mail Code SM-7J
Chicago, IL 60604-3507

Subject: Letter of Support/Commitment for the Jefferson County Coalition's U.S. EPA
Brownfield Community Wide Assessment Grant Proposal

Dear Ms. Mangrum:

This letter acknowledges that the Jefferson County Coalition notified the Office of the Fire Marshal, Bureau of Underground Storage Tank Regulations (BUSTR) the Jefferson County's grant request to U.S. EPA to use \$205,000 of the larger \$600,000 grant to provide assessment for a community-wide brownfield assessment for petroleum waste. The Jefferson County Coalition is comprised of Jefferson County, the cities of Steubenville, Toronto, the villages of Mingo Junction and Yorkville and the Jefferson County Port Authority. The assessment grant is for properties located within the communities listed above and along the Ohio River corridor and will be used to provide environmental due diligence assistance for properties looking to undergo economic development which has previously been overlooked due to potential environmental liability issues.

This grant will support a redevelopment project in Jefferson County. The county has a long history of manufacturing and industry along the Ohio River. Much of that history is tied to the coal mining industry and the steel industry. It is estimated that 9 out of 10 steel jobs in the community have vanished over the last 40 years. In the past year, RG Steel officially shut down three of its steel mills and sold the properties, amounting to over 400 acres of potentially new brownfields. Approximately 8 petroleum contaminated sites adjacent and along the Ohio River have been identified as potential recipients of assessment grant monies. The County is currently undergoing revitalization due to the emerging oil and gas revolution and looks to capitalize on the new found growth by focusing the brownfields efforts along and adjacent to the Ohio River, where the greatest interest in redevelopment for the oil and gas companies and its suppliers has emerged. The completion of the inventory, assessment, and subsequent environmental work will benefit the future citizens/workers by providing a healthier work environment.

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January 8, 2014
U.S. EPA, Region 5

I am pleased to offer BUSTR's support for the Jefferson County Coalition Brownfield Assessment Grant proposal. We look forward to working with Jefferson County, the cities of Steubenville, Toronto, the villages of Mingo Junction and Yorkville, the Jefferson County Port Authority and the U.S.EPA on this project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Verne A. Ord". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Verne" being more prominent.

Verne A. Ord
Assistant Chief – BUSTR
Division of State Fire Marshal
Ohio Department of Commerce

xc: Site File
Rich Fender, Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission
Larry Smith, GT Environmental, Inc.

APPENDIX C
COMMUNITY PARTNER SUPPORT LETTERS

Historic Downtown



STEUBENVILLE

Explore Our Past . . . Share Our Future

PO Box 602

Steubenville OH 43952

December 13, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

This letter is on behalf of the Steubenville Revitalization Group (SRG) to emphasize our strong support for the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition's EPA Assessment grant application.

The mission of the SRG is to foster and develop downtown Steubenville as a viable location for business, culture and recreation. Brownfield assessments can assist with this process by encouraging redevelopment at sites where it might not otherwise happen. For example the Grand Theater, Downtown, was the site of a previous EPA funded assessment. This assessment has greatly assisted with the ongoing renovation of the Theater.

Finally, our organization can help the coalition by providing a quarterly forum where revitalization issues including brownfield redevelopment can be discussed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jerry Barilla".

Jerry Barilla, President
Steubenville Revitalization Group

Mingo Revitalization Committee

P.O. Box 177

Mingo Junction, Ohio 43938

(www.facebook.com/mingorevitalizationcommittee)

December 13, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 4392

Dear Mr. Fender:

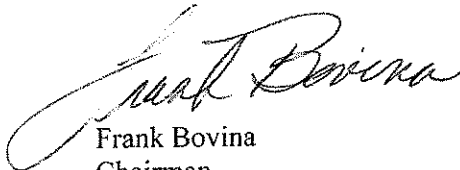
The Mingo Revitalization Committee (MRC) pledges to support the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition's efforts to revitalize brownfields.

The (MRC) was formed in 2012 and is made up of people volunteering to help make Mingo Junction a better place to live and raise a family. Our mission is to improve our Village by beautifying the community and attracting businesses.

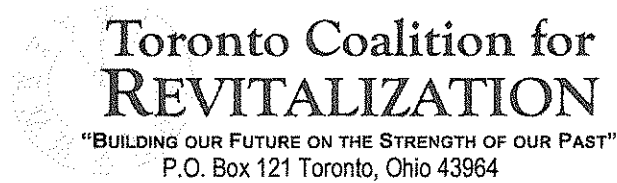
As a part of this process we are looking to create a web site that would show what land is available for business development within the village. This site could also be helpful to the brownfields coalition by making potential end users aware of possible brownfield sites in the community.

Mingo Junction's neighborhoods have been negatively affected by abandoned industrial structures. It is essential that the community come together to rebuild and strengthen our neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Frank Bovina".

Frank Bovina
Chairman
Mingo Revitalization Committee



December 19, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

As a community organization focusing on the revitalization of Toronto Ohio and the surrounding area, the Toronto Coalition for Revitalization (TCR) whole heartedly supports the Jefferson County Brownfield Assessment Grant application.

The TCR is a grass roots / volunteer movement whose mission is to recognize, revitalize and promote the historic, cultural, social and economic stability of Toronto by maintaining the small town character of the community and supporting values that assure Toronto is a great place to live, work, play, invest and do business.

Specifically, the TCR will help the brownfield coalition by working on a bikeway in the city of Toronto and 7F (old route 7) which leads to and through the Villages of Empire and Stratton thereby enhancing both the community and the redevelopment potential of its brownfield sites.

As your coalition works through the brownfield revitalization process, please let me know how our group can be of support.

Respectfully,

George Komar, President
Toronto Coalition for Revitalization

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JEFFERSON COUNTY



COMMUNITY ACTION COUNCIL, INC.

BARBARA V. WEST
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

114 NORTH FOURTH STREET
P.O. BOX 130
STEUBENVILLE, OHIO 43952
740/282-0971

December 16, 2013

Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

The Jefferson CAC proudly supports the county's application for a USEPA grant to continue to assess brownfield sites around the County.

The assessment of potentially contaminated sites will increase the inventory of land for the creation of new businesses and the expansion of existing ones. This is one of the goals of the recently completed Jefferson County Land Use Plan. It also touches on one of the goals outlined in the Jefferson County Community Investment Plan from 2008, which is the development of workforce growth.

In addition, the Jefferson CAC is one of the groups behind the OhioMeansJobs Jefferson County initiative. This effort will be hosting a series of informational workshops to help explain and answer questions many may have about entering careers in the Gas and Oil Industry. By encouraging the growth of employment in the energy sector, the Jefferson CAC is also helping to increase the demand for revitalized brownfield sites.

Finally, the CAC will continue to serve on the county Brownfields task force.

Sincerely,

JEFFERSON COUNTY CAC, INC.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Barbara V. West'.

Barbara V. West,
Chief Executive Officer

BVW:emp

Dr. Laura M. Meeks, Ph.D.
President

Jefferson County Campus

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**EASTERN
GATEWAY
COMMUNITY
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December 16, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 4392

Dear Mr. Fender:

Eastern Gateway Community College (EGCC), as a member of the Regional Planning Commission (RPC) Brownfield Task Force in Jefferson County, supports RPC's Brownfield coalition grant application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Jefferson County, Ohio.

Eastern Gateway currently offers an Environmental Science Program that is designed for those desiring entry-level positions in fields like environmental science and green collar jobs. These fields of employment are a key to successful Brownfield redevelopment.

In addition, EGCC has training programs directly related to skills required for jobs in the natural gas and oil drilling industry. Many of these programs are currently offered as customizable training options for companies. By assisting the natural gas sector with training, EGCC is facilitating the growth of an industry that can be a primary end user of Brownfield sites in Jefferson County.

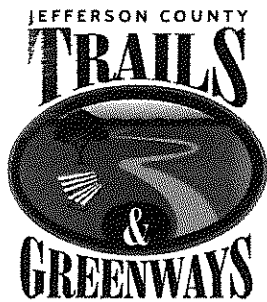
In support of the RPC's application for Brownfield funding, EGCC is also committed to offer our space for taskforce meetings as well as our time, knowledge of potential Brownfield sites, staff expertise, and resources to help achieve the goals of the Task Force and coalition.

Eastern Gateway community College looks forward to continuing as an active member of the Brownfield Task Force, working together to have a positive impact on our local communities.

Sincerely,

Laura M. Meeks, Ph.D.
President

/mjd



TASK FORCE

C/O BROOKE-HANCOCK-JEFFERSON METROPOLITAN PLANNING
COMMISSION
124 NORTH FOURTH STREET, SECOND FLOOR
STEUBENVILLE, OH 43952-4498

December 18, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

The Jefferson County Trails and Greenways Taskforce is pleased to support the Jefferson County Brownfields Coalition Assessment Grant application. With our emphasis on the health and the quality of life in the community, we are glad to support this grant effort because it will lead to improvements to the health of our county.

The Rehabilitation Trail is the first county trail in conjunction with the Jefferson County Trails and Greenways Plan and is located at the county fairgrounds. The trail is designed to assist those who have recently had an illness or injury and who have a therapy routine that involves walking. In addition the taskforce has assisted with the development of two additional trails at the fairgrounds.

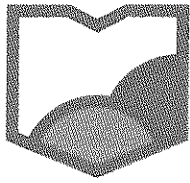
By identifying and cleaning the brownfields in our area, our residents will benefit from a healthier environment. The possible use of former brownfield sits as parks and businesses with pathways and green spaces is important to both our taskforce and the sustainability of Jefferson County. We believe the revitalization of these spaces will improve the quality of life for residents of the County. Finally, we pledge to work with the coalition by integrating our efforts with theirs whenever possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael J. Paprocki".

Michael J. Paprocki Paprocki
Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Transportation Study Director
Chairman Jefferson County Trails and Greenways Taskforce

Cc: Dr. John C. Brown, Executive Director
Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Metropolitan Planning Commission



Appalachian Partnership for Economic Growth

Dec. 16, 2013

**Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952**

Dear Mr. Fender:

This letter is on behalf of the Appalachian Partnership for Economic Growth (APEG) to convey our strong support for the EPA Assessment grant application of the Jefferson County Brownfield coalition. With a variety of partners, the Brownfield coalition intends to continue its efforts to revitalize brownfield sites in Jefferson County.

The Appalachian Partnership for Economic Growth is the JobsOhio Network Partner for 25 southeastern Ohio counties. APEG is one of six organizations across the state to act as regional partners for JobsOhio, the state's agency for job creation and economic development.

Specifically, we support the Jefferson County Coalition in its application because it dovetails with APEG's goal of brownfield redevelopment within the region. APEG is the regional representative of JobOhio's Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund and its Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund.

The Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund is a key financial component to helping communities build economic capacity by providing funding for brownfield redevelopment. To return them to productive economic use the Brownfield Revolving Loan Fund program offers below market rate loans to assist with the remediation of brownfield properties. On Oct, 3 2013, APEG gave a presentation in Jefferson County regarding these programs. To assist the Brownfield Coalition APEG pledges to continue these outreach efforts.

We strongly encourage the EPA to assist the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition in its important work of brownfield assessments.

Sincerely,

**Ed Looman
Eastern Ohio Project Manager
Appalachian Partnership of Economic Growth
(740) 381-4119
elooman@apeg.com**

APPENDIX D

DOCUMENTATION OF LEVERAGED COMMITMENTS

River Rail Development
Former RG Steel Plant – Steubenville
Private Investment

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Jefferson County brownfield program earns award

September 29, 2013
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STEUBENVILLE - Jefferson County received a Brownfields Recognition Award for leadership and commitment from U.S. EPA Region 5 at the 2013 National Brownfields Conference.

A brownfield is a site that has been abandoned or under-utilized, but has real or perceived contamination problems. Environmental studies and sometimes site cleanups are required before banks and other investors will participate in the sale or reuse of these properties.

The leadership award was a result of work Jefferson County did in conjunction with a three-year, \$1 million U.S. EPA Brownfield Coalition Assessment grant started in 2009 and, after a grant extension, completed this year. The grant was administered by the county through its representative, the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission.

The Commission then worked as part of a coalition made up of the city of Toronto, the city of Steubenville and the village of Mingo Junction to carry out the grant. In utilizing the U.S.EPA assessment grant, the coalition was able to complete nearly 40 environmental studies, which has led to some \$1.3 million in state funding for site cleanups. Most importantly, at sites assessed through the brownfield grant more than 100 permanent jobs have been created with 100 more expected in the near term.

To build on this momentum, the public is invited to a discussion of resources to redevelop blighted properties from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Thursday in the second floor community room at the Towers Building, 500 Market St. Besides a brief overview of the current status of the county brownfield program, JobsOhio regional representative Ed Looman will provide an update on that program. In addition, Monica Stefanoff of the state Development Services Administration Brownfield Incentive Programs and Marin Smith of the OEPA Targeted Brownfield program will discuss how their respective programs can be of assistance. There also will be a discussion of additional brownfield sites in Jefferson County. For reservations contact Rich Fender at (740) 283-8568 or e-mail rfenderrpc@jeffersoncountyoh.com

Specific accomplishments related to the U.S. EPA Brownfield coalition grant include:

A portion of the former DiNovo's property in Steubenville being leased to Louisiana-based Power Torque Services, a provider of equipment and services to the oil and gas industry. Power Torque has created 12 jobs with another 12 expected in the near future. All of the PTS hiring is expected to be done locally.

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See Next page for River Rail Private Match

Express Energy Services, a Houston-based supplier to the shale-gas energy industry leased the former J&J dealership property in Toronto in April 2012; this move created 30 to 35 jobs and could grow to more than 100.

Redeveloping the former RG Steel property for use as a metal recycling center and bi-modal transportation hub and industrial park has resulted in 40-plus temporary jobs and 50 full-time jobs and is expected to generate another 100-plus jobs when redevelopment is complete.

In addition to employment, the U.S. EPA Coalition Brownfield grant made it possible to secure the following funding opportunities:

The Coalition was awarded a State of Ohio Brownfield grant of \$299,571 for an environmental site assessment that entailed soil and water sampling activities at the Kaul Clay property in Toronto.

Steubenville was awarded \$96,700 in state funding for asbestos abatement at the Grand Theater property in Steubenville, which is being restored as a historic theater and cultural center.

Steubenville also received a \$1 million brownfield grant through the Clean Ohio Assistance Fund for asbestos abatement and demolition at the blast furnace of the former RG steel site. The city has partnered with River Rail Development, which has committed \$5 million to redeveloping the former steel manufacturing facility. The Coalition kicked off the assessment and redevelopment activities by funding an asbestos assessment.

Additionally, the city of Steubenville secured a Neighborhood Stabilization Grant for \$239,550 for a former nursing home property in Steubenville. These funds were used to remove blight from the community by performing asbestos abatement activities and demolishing the existing structure to make the site redevelopment ready.

To achieve these results the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission worked with the Brownfields Task Force, which is made up of organizations such as the Coalition, the county health department, the county Community Action Council and the county Soil and Water Conservation District.

The overall process of selecting sites for assessment studies started with an initial inventory of brownfield sites identified through Coalition members, the Brownfields Task Force, the county economic development program and public meetings. Properties were then prioritized by commercial/industrial redevelopment and job creation potential. In addition, the Coalition also identified several properties of community-wide value for site assessments, such as the historic Grand Theater in Steubenville.

The Coalition will apply for a \$600,000 USEPA Brownfield assessment grant in November.

For information about Brownfield funding opportunities and other incentives that may be available to assist with Brownfield revitalization, register by calling Rich Fender at (740) 283-8568 or e-mail rfenderrpc@jeffersoncountyooh.com.

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*River Rail Development Match
Private Investment*

Attachment 7: SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS
Former RG Steel - COAF Study Areas
Steubenville, Ohio

Sources of Funds	Name/Organization	Uses of Funds							Totals
		Assessments ⁽¹⁾	Environmental Insurance	Clearance*	Acquisition ⁽²⁾	Demolition	Infrastructure	Cleanup Remediation	
Cleanup Funding						\$ 100,000.00		\$ 900,000.00	\$ 1,000,000.00
Assessment Funding									\$ -
Applicant									\$ -
Applicant In kind Labor & Materials***									\$ -
Local***	JCRPC - Asbestos Survey	\$ 12,000.00							\$ 12,000.00
									\$ -
State***									\$ -
									\$ -
Federal***									\$ -
									\$ -
Private***	RRD - Asbestos Survey	\$ 5,060.00			\$ 109,484.00				\$ 114,544.00
	RRD - Demolition					\$ 4,278,209.00			\$ 4,278,209.00
	RRD - Abatement and Cleanup							\$ 461,390.00	\$ 461,390.00
	Matching Funds SubTotal	\$ 17,060.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109,484.00	\$ 4,278,209.00	\$ -	\$ 461,390.00	\$ 4,866,143.00
	SubTotal by Category	\$ 17,060.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 109,484.00	\$ 4,378,209.00	\$ -	\$ 1,361,390.00	
Total Project Cost									\$ 5,866,143.00
Percentage Total Match		0.29%	0.00%	0.00%	1.87%	72.93%	0.00%	7.87%	
Percentage of Applicant Match		0.20%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.20%
Percentage Private Match		0.09%	0.00%	0.00%	1.87%	72.93%	0.00%	7.87%	82.75%

Notes

JCRPC: Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission

RRD: River Rail Development, LLC

⁽¹⁾ Assessment costs for the COAF Study Areas are prorated from the \$85,300 assessments costs for the entire Former RG Steel property

⁽²⁾ Acquisition costs for the 3.31 acre COAF Study Areas are prorated based on the \$4,300,000 purchase price for the entire 130 acre Former RG Steel property.

*Clearance = Non Hazardous Solid Waste Removal (e.g. clearing or grubbing of vegetation, trees or organic material prior to remediation)

**Cleanup Funds may not be used for assessments, environmental insurance or clearance.

***Assessment Funds may not be used as match for a Cleanup Fund application

***Labor and materials must be supported by proper documentation from the entity providing them.

***For Cleanup Funding Percentage Required Match must be at least 25%.

NOTE: Additional Documentation is required for match dollars in the form of a TIF. Please see application for details.

Percentage Required Match**** **82.95%**

Ohio Development Services Agency

Clean Ohio Funds – Clean Up

Former RG Steel Steubenville

APR 05 2013

OFFICE OF REDEVELOPMENT

GRANT AGREEMENT

Grantee:	City of Steubenville		Grant Control No.:		RED 13-116	
Address:	115 South 3 rd Street, Suite 103					
City:	Steubenville		State:	OH	Zip:	43952
Project Property:	Former RG Steel Property – COAF Study Area					
Project Site:	440 South 3 rd Street, Steubenville OH 43952					
Project County:	Jefferson		Effective Date:		March 25, 2013	
Project Local Jurisdiction:	City of Steubenville	No Further Action Date:		March 25, 2016		
		Grant Completion Date:		March 24, 2017		
Matching Funds Commitment						
Matching Funds	\$4,493,012.00		Matching Funds Percentage		81.80%	
Grant Funds						
Program			Authority			
Clean Ohio Assistance Fund			Am. Sub. S.B. 312, 129 th General Assembly, and Ohio Revised Code Sections 122.656			
Award Date:	March 25, 2013	Controlling Board No.:	DEV0102259-13	Controlling Board Date:	March 25, 2013	
Grant Amount:	\$1,000,000.00	Max. Percentage:	18.20%	Total Project Cost:	\$5,493,012.00	
Project Manager						
Name:	Chris Petrossi		Title:	Urban Projects Manager		
Address:	115 South 3 rd Street, Suite 108					
City:	Steubenville		State:	OH	Zip:	43952
Phone:	740-283-6000	Fax:	740-283-6082	Email:	cpetrossi@cityofsteubenville.com	

Former RG Steel - COAF Study Areas
Steubenville, Ohio

Notes	Percentage Required Match****	82.96%
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RRD: River Rail Development, LLC

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2009 USEPA Brownfield Coalition

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Jefferson County, Ohio



U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Cooperative Agreement

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PROJECT MANAGER

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EPA PROJECT OFFICER

BRAD STIMPLE

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Westlake, OH 44145

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EPA GRANT SPECIALIST

Marco Santos

Assistance Section, MC-10J

E-Mail: Santos.Marco@epa.gov

Phone: 312-353-3490

PROJECT TITLE AND DESCRIPTION

Brownfields Hazardous/Petroleum Assessment Cooperative Agreement

This is a Brownfields Cooperative Agreement for Jefferson County and their coalition partners to conduct site assessment work for hazardous and petroleum substances. Funding will be used for performing Phase I and Phase II work, Remedial Planning and Design and Community Outreach activities. Assessment work will help the recipient determine potential risks to human health, welfare, and the environment and plan for cleanup to eliminate these risks and promote sustainable redevelopment.

BUDGET PERIOD

10/01/2009 - 09/30/2012

PROJECT PERIOD

10/01/2009 - 09/30/2012

TOTAL BUDGET PERIOD COST

\$1,000,000.00

TOTAL PROJECT PERIOD COST

\$1,000,000.00

NOTICE OF AWARD

Based on your application dated 07/02/2009, including all modifications and amendments, the United States acting by and through the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), hereby awards \$1,000,000. EPA agrees to cost-share 100.00% of all approved budget period costs incurred, up to and not exceeding total federal funding of \$1,000,000. Such award may be terminated by EPA without further cause if the recipient fails to provide timely affirmation of the award by signing under the Affirmation of Award section and returning all pages of this agreement to the Grants Management Office listed below within 21 days after receipt, or any extension of time, as may be granted by EPA. This agreement is subject to applicable EPA statutory provisions. The applicable regulatory provisions are 40 CFR Chapter 1, Subchapter B, and all terms and conditions of this agreement and any attachments.

ISSUING OFFICE (GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICE)

ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS

U.S. EPA Region 5

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ORGANIZATION / ADDRESS

U.S. EPA, Region 5

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Chicago, IL 60604-3507

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TYPED NAME AND TITLE

Cyndy Colantoni, Acting Assistant Regional Administrator for Resources Management

DATE

08/29/2009

AFFIRMATION OF AWARD

BY AND ON BEHALF OF THE DESIGNATED RECIPIENT ORGANIZATION

SIGNATURE

Dr. Thomas E. Graham

TYPED NAME AND TITLE

Dr. Thomas E. Graham, President, Jefferson County Board of Commissioners

DATE

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Ohio Development Services Agency

Clean Ohio Funds – Clean Up

Grand Theater

Attachment A8: SOURCES AND USES OF FUNDS - KNOWN END USER TRACK										
Sources of Funds	Name/Organization	Assessments	Uses of Funds						Totals	
			Environmental Insurance	Clearance*	Acquisition	Demolition	Infrastructure	Cleanup Remediation		
Clean Ohio Revitalization Funds**									\$ 96,700.00	\$ 96,700.00
Clean Ohio Assistance Funds**										\$ -
Applicant										\$ -
Local***	JCRPC - Phase I ESA	\$ 12,450.00								\$ 12,450.00
	JCRPC - Asbestos Survey	\$ 8,750.00								\$ 8,750.00
State***										\$ -
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Federal***										\$ -
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Private***	Grand Theater Restoration Project							\$ 11,100.00		\$ 11,100.00
										\$ -
	SubTotal	\$ 21,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 11,100.00	\$ 32,300.00
Applicant In kind Labor & Materials***										\$ -
	SubTotal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sub Totals		\$ 21,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 107,800.00	
Total Project Cost										\$ 129,000.00
Percentage Total Match		16.43%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	8.60%	
Percentage of Applicant Match		0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	
Percentage Required Match****										25.04%
Notes *Clearance = Non Hazardous Solid Waste Removal (e.g. clearing or grubbing of vegetation, trees or organic material prior to remediation) **Clean Ohio Revitalization Funds may not be used for assessments, environmental insurance or clearance. ***Clean Ohio Assistance Funds may not be used as match or added to the total project cost. ****Labor and materials must be supported by proper documentation from the entity providing them. *****Percentage Required Match must be at least 25%. NOTE: Additional Documentation is required for match dollars in the form of a TIF. Please see page 17 of Part A for details.										

GRANT AGREEMENT

CLEAN OHIO REVITALIZATION FUND GRANT AGREEMENT

Grantee:	City of Steubenville	Grant Control No.:	13-009 ADMN		
Address:	115 South 3 rd Street				
City:	Steubenville	State:	OH	Zip:	43952
Project Property:	Grand Theatre				
Project Site:	115 South 4 th Street Steubenville OH 43952				
Project County:	Jefferson	Effective Date:	September 28, 2012		
Project Local Jurisdiction:	City of Steubenville	No Further Action Date:	September 28, 2015		
		Grant Completion Date:	September 28, 2016		
Match Commitment					
Matching Funds	\$32,300.00	Matching Funds Percentage	25.04%		
Grant Funds					
Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund					
Clean Ohio Council Award	May 18, 2012	Controlling Board No.:	DEV-0102057-13	Controlling Board Date:	July 9, 2012
Grant Amount:	\$96,700	Max. Percentage:	74.96%	Total Project Cost:	\$129,000.00
Project Manager					
Name:	Christopher Petrossi		Title:	Urban Projects Director	
Address:	115 South 3 rd Street				
City:	Steubenville		State:	OH	Zip: 43952
Phone:	740-283-6000	Fax:	740-283-6082	Email:	cdp@cityofsteubenville.us

Ohio Development Services Agency
Clean Ohio Funds – Phase II Property Assessment
Former Kaul Clay Property

GRANT AGREEMENT

Grantee:	Jefferson County	Grant Control No.:	12-073 ADMN		
Address:	301 Market Street				
City:	Steubenville	State:	Ohio	Zip:	43952
Project Property:	Former Kaul Clay Property				
Project Site:	State Route 7 and County Road 47, Toronto, Ohio, 43964				
Project County:	Jefferson	Effective Date:	April 2, 2012		
Project Local Jurisdiction:	City of Toronto	Grant Completion Date:	October 2, 2013		
Grant Funds					
Program		Authority			
Clean Ohio Assistance Fund		Am. Sub. H. B. 2, 128 th General Assembly and Ohio Revised Code Section 122.656			
Award Date:	January 26, 2012	Controlling Board No.:	DEV0101915-12	Controlling Board Date:	February 27, 2012
Grant Amount:	\$299,571.00	Total Project Cost:	\$299,571.00		
Project Manager					
Name:	Rich Fender	Title:	County Planner		
Address:	500 Market Street				
City:	Steubenville	State:	Ohio	Zip:	43952
Phone:	740-283-8656	Fax:	740-283-8656	Email:	rfenderrpc@jeffersoncountyoh.com

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1. Project Funding.

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(b) Purpose. The Grant Funds may be used for the sole and express purpose of undertaking and completing the Project. Grantee shall undertake and complete the Project substantially as described in the Scope of Work. Grantee may not use the Grant Funds for any purpose other than eligible costs of the Project and activities related to the Project Property as expressly contemplated in the Scope of Work.

(c) Availability of Other Funds. If applicable, Grantee commits to provide funds from other financing sources as further described in Attachment B, "Other Financing Sources," which is attached to and made a part of this Agreement. Grantee represents and warrants to Grantor that Grantee has obtained such additional funds or that Grantee has a binding commitment for such additional funds and, with the

Ohio Development Services Agency

Clean Ohio Funds – Clean Up

Former Cool's Hoagie Property



CleanOhioFund

CLEAN OHIO REVITALIZATION FUND ROUND 7 AWARDEES

ID	Applicant	Property Name	Amount Requested	Running Total
12 2009-028	City of Norwalk	Norwalk Foundry Redevelopment	\$535,846	\$23,105,636
13 2009-029	City of Painesville	Lake East Hospital	\$2,052,408	\$25,158,044
14 2009-030	City of Steubenville	Cools Hoagie Property	\$297,318	\$25,455,362
15 2009-031	Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority	Port Authority Industrial Park at Beazer	\$1,999,980	\$27,455,342
16 2009-032	City of Youngstown	Former YS&T Office Building	\$631,343	\$28,086,685
Total Requested			\$28,086,685	
Amount Available			\$28,086,685	

Ohio Development Services Agency

Clean Ohio Funds – Clean Up

Former Hancock Manufacturing

COAF Funded Clean-up Projects - Important Dates Sorted by City

August 14, 2013

COAF ID	Project Name	Applicant	Grant Amount	Grant Effective	Grant Deadline (NFA Due to OEPA)	Current Extension	NFA Submitted	CNS Issued
2011-A-012	Emerald Alliance VI	Cuyahoga County	\$ 656,272	October 3, 2011	October 10, 2014		January 4, 2013	
NFA Letter review ongoing. Draft INOD sent on 4/4/13. Final ENOD sent on 7/25/13- additional verification of USD needed.								
2010-A-025	Caldwell Street Project	Dayton	\$ 750,000	December 14, 2010	November 19, 2013			
2011-A-018	City Centre	Dayton	\$ 750,000	March 15, 2012	February 7, 2015		December 5, 2011	June 22, 2012
Historic renovation issues resolved work to begin in August								
2010-A-021	Findlay North Middle School (Difco)	Findlay	\$ 750,000	November 1, 2010	October 8, 2013		June 17, 2011	February 22, 2012
2004-A-015	Whittier Pen/Lazarus Warehouse	Franklin Co Metro Parks	\$ 742,500	March 24, 2005	September 10, 2007	September 10, 2008	February 12, 2009	June 14, 2010
2006-A-019	Hamilton Die Cast	Hamilton, City	\$ 750,000	December 27, 2006	June 5, 2009		April 14, 2008	October 27, 2008
2006-A-030	River Valley Hospital	Ironton, City	\$ 750,000	July 24, 2007	January 12, 2010	January 12, 2011	December 8, 2009	May 25, 2010
2004-A-006	Brownfield Comm Redev 702 S Main	Lima, City	\$ 130,000	October 19, 2004	April 7, 2007	n/a	October 19, 2005	January 11, 2006
2006-A-028	Verwandt Properties	Lockland, Village	\$ 750,000	February 7, 2007	July 24, 2009		February 26, 2009	March 22, 2010
2002-A-018	Ohio Brass	Mansfield, City	\$ 504,000	October 3, 2003	March 21, 2006	September 19, 2007	August 29, 2005	October 25, 2007
2010-A-033	Former NCR Training Facility	Miami Twp	\$ 379,516	March 3, 2011	February 18, 2015		September 13, 2012	February 6, 2013
2008-A-009	Midwest Services	Middletown	\$ 750,000	May 22, 2009	November 22, 2011		September 28, 2010	October 20, 2011
2011-A-020	Miami Packaging	Middletown	\$ 491,033	February 6, 2012	October 24, 2014			
Remedy complete. NFA pending.								
2010-A-006	Big Bear Store #256	Reynoldsburg	\$ 415,200	June 23, 2010	June 21, 2013		May 19, 2011	August 11, 2011
2009-A-006	Brush Pottery	Roseville	\$ 700,955	November 20, 2009	May 18, 2012		May 2, 2011	July 22, 2011
2004-A-011	SPECO	Springfield, City	\$ 645,000	October 25, 2004	April 13, 2007	n/a	June 9, 2006	October 25, 2006
2008-A-009	Regional Medical Center	Springfield, City	\$ 749,190	October 14, 2008	May 10, 2011		April 1, 2009	December 7, 2009
2005-A-008	Youngstown Sheet & Tube Coke Plant	Struthers, City	\$ 565,200	October 26, 2005	February 22, 2008	n/a	January 8, 2007	June 3, 2008
2006-A-010	Tiffin Glass	Tiffin, City	\$ 750,000	November 11, 2006	March 9, 2009		March 2, 2009	April 1, 2010
2006-A-020	Rosenblatt Steel	Tiffin, City	\$ 750,000	February 26, 2007	September 1, 2009	September 1, 2012	July 5, 2012	May 7, 2013
2010-A-010	Downtown Summit Street	Toledo	\$ 750,000	May 6, 2011	October 7, 2013		February 8, 2013	August 5, 2013
2010-A-027	VA Clinic Outpatient Facility	Toledo	\$ 750,000	February 23, 2011	January 21, 2014		September 11, 2012	June 24, 2013
2006-A-006	Westgate Shopping Center	Toledo, City	\$ 750,000	August 7, 2006	December 16, 2008		October 6, 2008	August 6, 2009
2008-A-002	XXKEM	Toledo, City	\$ 750,000	October 23, 2008	April 19, 2011	April 19, 2013	March 8, 2013	
Issues w/ final construction. Revised closure plan approved, work started Dec. 2012. Revised report recvd on 3/8/13. DHWM 5/3/13 letter, report incomplete and addl documentation needed.								
2007-A-004	Hancock Manufacturing	Toronto, City	\$ 700,000	November 20, 2007	April 20, 2010	April 21, 2013		
Remedy ongoing. Budget running out, now will tap into Hancock escrow money to finish.								
Pathway analysis work ongoing. Indoor Air stds exceeded at 2 of 5 locations. Additional air monitoring planned- week of Aug. 6.								
SIFU to complete concrete chip evaluation study week of Aug. 26. 2 sentinel MW to be installed 7/31 & 8/1.								
2010-A-019	Kingsdale Center	Upper Arlington	\$ 750,000	November 24, 2010	October 8, 2013		August 19, 2011	November 30, 2011
2005-A-011	McArthur Lumber	Vinton County	\$ 724,131	February 17, 2006	July 15, 2008	February 1, 2009	September 2, 2008	June 30, 2009
2002-A-046	Lincoln China	Wellsville, Village	\$ 475,000	June 3, 2004	November 20, 2006	July 1, 2008	August 22, 2008	February 11, 2009
2009-A-002	Flats at Wick	Youngstown	\$ 750,000	June 3, 2009	December 17, 2011		March 25, 2011	September 21, 2011
2008-A-014	YWCA Remediation Project	Youngstown	\$ 750,000	February 12, 2009	August 10, 2011	February 12, 2012	December 12, 2011	February 28, 2012
2010-A-16	Weatherbee Goat Factory	Youngstown	\$ 657,396	November 12, 2010	October 17, 2013		March 13, 2013	
NFA Letter review ongoing. INOD sent on 5/28/13. Addendum received on 6/10/13. ENOD issued for EC issues only due by 9/5/13. Addendum #2 received on 8/1/13.								
2006-A-007	Youngstown Tech Center	Youngstown, City	\$ 750,000	July 5, 2006	December 21, 2008	n/a	February 1, 2007	May 1, 2007

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	NFA Under Review							
	Remediation Complete							
	Remedy ongoing							
	Remediation Not Started							

CDBG

Infrastructure

City of Toronto - Street Improvements

STATE OF OHIO
SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

GRANT AGREEMENT

F.T.I. Number: 346001501

Grant Number: B-F-11-1BL-1

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DATE: 12/07/2011

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
FORMULA PROGRAM
ATTACHMENT A - SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET
PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

I. GENERAL DATA

Grantee.....	JEFFERSON CNTY	Total Grant Award.....	\$ 260,000
Grant Number.....	B-F-11-1BL-1	Vendor I.D. No.....	0000102315
Application Prepared:	Domenick Mucci	Administrative Agency.....	Jefferson County RPC
Community CEO.....	Thomas G. Gentile	Administrative Contact.....	Domenick Mucci Jr.
CEO Title.....	President	Title.....	Director
Address.....	301 Market Street, Courthouse	Address.....	500 Market Street, Room 614
	Steubenville, OH 43952-2278		Steubenville, OH 43952-
Phone Number.....	740-283-8500	Contact Phone Number.....	740-283-8568
FAX Number.....	740-283-8599	Contact FAX Number.....	740-283-8656
County.....	Jefferson	% of CDBG for LMI Benefit	100.00 %
Field Area/Rep.....	D - Michael Norton-Smith	% of CDBG for Public Serv	0.00 %
Local Program Income: \$	24,856	% of CDBG for Admin/FH...	17.30 %
Included in the Budget			
Ohio House Dist/Rep :	95 - Lou Gentile	Senate District.....	30 - Jason Wilson

II. PROGRAM BUDGET

Project Nbr	Activity Number/Name	CDBG AMOUNT	Other Funds Amount - Source	Total Activity Cost	Activity Qualified	Activity Purpose
01	1. Street Improvements	\$ 48,000	\$ 0	\$ 48,000	Census	Public Fac.
02	2. Street Improvements	\$ 48,000	\$ 0	\$ 48,000	Census	Public Fac.
03	3. Sidewalk Improvements	\$ 48,000	\$ 3,000 Village	\$ 51,000	Survey	Public Fac.
04	4. Street Improvements	\$ 27,200	\$ 16,200 City	\$ 43,400	Census	Public Fac.
05	5. Home/Building Repair	\$ 43,800	\$ 24,000 RLF	\$ 67,800	Dir. Ben.	Housing
06	6. Fair Housing Program	\$ 6,000	\$ 0	\$ 6,000	-----	Fair Housing
	7. General Administration	\$ 39,000	\$ 856 RLF	\$ 39,856	-----	Plan/Admin.
Project 06 Subtotal:		\$ 45,000	\$ 856	\$ 45,856		
Grant Total:		\$ 260,000	\$ 44,056	\$ 304,056		

DATE: 12/07/2011

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT
FORMULA PROGRAM
ATTACHMENT A - SCOPE OF WORK AND BUDGET
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Grantee: JEFFERSON CNTY

Grant Number: 8-F-11-1BL-1

III. PROGRAM DATA

Project Nbr(Activity Nbrs)	Location	Target Area	Longitude/	Latitude	Beneficiaries	LMI Percent	National Objective
01 / Activity Nbr - 1	Village of Smithfield	A1BL016	-80.780603/	40.268229	830	59.30%	LOW/MOD
02 / Activity Nbr - 2	Wells Township	A1BL022	-80.631216/	40.273746	321	63.90%	LOW/MOD
03 / Activity Nbr - 3	Village of Wintersville	A1BL027	-80.697766/	40.367195	112	93.33%	LOW/MOD
04 / Activity Nbr - 4	City of Toronto	A1BL020	-80.602880/	40.477312	1,063	64.30%	LOW/MOD
05 / Activity Nbr - 5	County-wide		-80.741485/	40.376314	19	100.00%	LOW/MOD
06 / Activity Nbr - 6	County-wide				73,894	47.00%	-----
Total Beneficiaries:					76,239		

IV. COBG CENSUS TRACTS

Project Nbr(Activity Nbrs)	Location	Census Tract Number	Percent Benefitting	Block Groups	Activity Qualified
01/ Activity Nbr - 1	Village of Smithfield	0120.00	100.00%	All Block Groups	Census
02/ Activity Nbr - 2	Wells Township	0119.00	32.27%	04	Census
03/ Activity Nbr - 3	Village of Wintersville	0116.00	39.33%	03	Survey
04/ Activity Nbr - 4	City of Toronto	0112.00	45.94%	02	Census

V. PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Activity Number/Name	Location	Outcomes
1 Street Improvements	Village of Smithfield	Provides Improved Access Measureable: 1,400.00 Linear Feet Funds will be used to resurface 1,230 LF of High Street and 170 LF of Tanner Street.
2 Street Improvements	Wells Township	Provides Improved Access Measureable: 1,575.00 Linear Feet Funds will be used to resurface 1,575 LF of Mott Washington Road.
3 Sidewalk Improvements	Village of Wintersville	Provides Improved Access Measureable: 700.00 Linear Feet 200.00 Linear Feet of Curbs Funds will be used to construct 500 LF of sidewalk, 200 LF of retaining wall, and 500 LF of curbs along Fernwood Road.

DATE: 12/07/2011


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Grant Number: B-F-11-1BL-1

V. PROGRAM OUTCOMES CONTINUED

Activity Number/Name	Location	Outcomes
4. Street Improvements	City of Toronto	Provides Improved Access Measureable: 1,350.00 Linear Feet Funds will be used to resurface 1,350 LF of 5th Street
5. Home/Building Repair	County-wide	Provides Improved Access Measureable: 7.00 Units Repaired - Owner Funds will be used to repair 7 owner-occupied housing units.
6. Fair Housing Program	County-wide	Measureable: 1.00 Standard Fair Housing Program Funds will be used to conduct 1 Standard Fair Housing Program.

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CDBG

Infrastructure

Village of Mingo Junction - Street Improvements

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FY 2013 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
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Grant Number.....	B-F-13-18L-1	Vendor I.D. No.....	0000102315
Application Prepared	Domenick Mucci	Administrative Agency	Regional Planning Commission
Community CEO.....	Thomas E. Gentile	Administrative Contact.....	Domenick Mucci
CEO Title.....	President	Title.....	Director
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Local Program Income \$	0	% of CDBG for Admin/FH...	18.57 %
Included in the Budget			
Ohio House Dist/Rep..	96 - Jack Cera	Senate District	30 - Lou Gentile

II. PROGRAM DATA

Project Nbr(Activity Nbrs)	Location	Target Area	Longitude/	Latitude	Beneficiaries	LMI Percent	National Objective
01 / Activity Nbr - 1	Mingo Junction		-80.605103/	40.325705	1,008	64.60%	LOW/MOD.
02 / Activity Nbr - 2	Saline Township		-80.663450/	40.527455	25	80.00%	LOW/MOD.
03 / Activity Nbr - 3	Wayne Township		-80.603817/	40.475009	29	100.00%	LOW/MOD.
04 / Activity Nbr - 4	Fair Housing				71,772	47.00%	-----
Total Beneficiaries					72,834		

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Grantee: JEFFERSON CNTY

Grant Number: 9-F-13-19L-1

III. PROGRAM BUDGET

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01	01 Street Improvements	\$ 45,600	\$ 0	\$ 45,600	Census	Public Fac
02	02 Street Improvements	\$ 45,600	\$ 0	\$ 45,600	Survey	Public Fac
03	03 Street Improvements	\$ 45,600	\$ 0	\$ 45,600	Census	Public Fac
04	04 Fair Housing Program	\$ 6,000	\$ 0	\$ 6,000	-----	Fair Housing
	05 General Administration	\$ 25,200	\$ 0	\$ 25,200	-----	Plan/Admin.
Project 04 Subtotal		\$ 31,200	\$ 0	\$ 31,200		
Grant Total		\$ 168,000	\$ 0	\$ 168,000		

IV. CDBG CENSUS TRACTS

Object Nbr(Activity Nbrs)	Location	Census Tract Number	Percent Benefitting	Block Groups	Activity Qualified
/ Activity Nbr - 01	Mingo Junction	0118.00	97.48%	02	Census
/ Activity Nbr - 02	Saline Township	0116.00	8.90%	02	Survey
/ Activity Nbr - 03	Wayne Township	0129.00	0.09%	02	Census

V. PROGRAM OUTCOMES

Activity Number/Name	Location	Outcomes
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Street Improvements	Wayne Township	Provides New Access Measurable: 970.00 Linear Feet Jefferson County will complete 970 LF of street improvements on Township Road 197 from SR 161 to the railroad tracks

CDBG

Infrastructure

Village of Yorkville - Street Improvements

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I. GENERAL DATA

Grantee.....	JEFFERSON CNTY	Total Grant Award	\$ 249,000
Grant Number.....	B-F-09-038-1	Vendor I.D. No.....	0000102315
Application Prepared.....	Domenick Mucci Jr.	Administrative Agency.....	Jefferson County RPC
Community CEO.....	Thomas E. Graham	Administrative Contact....	Domenick Mucci Jr.
CEO Title.....	President	Title.....	Director
Address.....	301 Market Street, Courthouse Stuebenville, OH 43952-2278	Address.....	500 Market Street, Room 614 Stuebenville, OH 43952-
Phone Number.....	740-283-8500	Contact Phone Number.....	740-283-8568
FAX Number.....	740-283-8599	Contact FAX Number.....	740-283-8656
County.....	Jefferson	% of CDBG for LMI Benefit:	100.00 %
Field Area/Rep.....	D - Carol Guercio	% of CDBG for Public Serv:	0.00 %
Local Program Income: \$	0	% of CDBG for Admin/FH.. :	17.40 %
Included in the Budget			
Ohio House Dist/Rep.: 95 - John Domenick		Senate District.....	30 - Jason Wilson

Project Nbr	Activity Number/Name	CDBG AMOUNT	Other Funds Amount -	Funds Source	Total Activity Cost	Activity Qualified	Activity Purpose
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Project 05 Subtotal:		\$ 43,350	\$ 0		\$ 43,350		
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FORMULA PROGRAM
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PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Grantee.....: JEFFERSON CNTY


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P M & E. 

CDBG

Infrastructure

City of Steubenville Street Improvements

STATE OF OHIO
SMALL CITIES COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
CFDA No. 14.228

GRANT AGREEMENT

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F.T.I. Number: 346001501

Grant Number: B-F-09-038-1

This Grant Agreement (the "Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the State of Ohio, Department of Development, located at 77 South High Street, P.O. Box 1001, Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001 (hereinafter variously referred to as the "Grantor"), and Jefferson County, located at 301 Market Street, Courthouse, Steubenville, Ohio 43952-2278, (hereinafter variously referred to as the "Grantee"), for the period beginning September 1, 2009 and ending February 28, 2011 (the "Grant Period").

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A. Pursuant to the provisions of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, (the "Act"), the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") has been authorized by the Congress of the United States to make grants to states for community and economic development and has made available a grant to the State of Ohio through the Grantor.

B. Grantor, through its Division of Community Development, has been designated and empowered to receive, administer and disburse block grant funds for community and economic development activities to units of general local government in nonentitlement areas of Ohio, and to provide technical assistance to them in connection with community and economic development programs.

C. Grantee has submitted to the Grantor an application, which is not attached hereto but is incorporated herein by reference as if fully set forth herein, setting forth a list of activities (herein referred to individually as "Project" or collectively as "Projects"), and the Grantor has approved the Project(s).

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CHIP

Rehabilitation and Housing Program

City of Stubenville



Development Services Agency

John R. Kasich, Governor

David Goodman, Director

August 27, 2013

Ms. Cathy Davison, City Manager
City of Steubenville
115 S. Third Street
Steubenville, Ohio 43952

Subject: FY 2013 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) Conditional Award Letter

Dear Ms. Davison:

Congratulations on successfully competing for a FY 2013 Community Housing Improvement Program (CHIP) grant award. The application submitted on behalf of your community has been recommended to receive CHIP funding for FY 2013. Issuance of a CHIP grant agreement is conditioned on the satisfactory response to this letter. The FY 2013 CHIP grant agreement timelines are as follows:

Effective Date:	September 1, 2013
Work Completion:	October 31, 2015
Drawdown of Funds:	November 30, 2015
Project Closeout:	December 31, 2015

Attached to this letter are conditions which must be addressed before the Office of Community Development can issue a grant agreement, if applicable. Also attached is a copy of your Applicant Profile, which describes the activities that were approved for funding. Carefully check each section of the profile for correctness. The profile may contain errors. Please give special attention to the program description, awarded budget and activity outcomes. Also note that awarded amounts and funding sources for each activity may be different than originally requested. For FY 2013, the Office of Community Development has been able to allocate \$1 million of Ohio Housing Trust Funds to the Community Housing Improvement Program. This amount has been targeted to the Home Repair activity.

If your community has been awarded Ohio Housing Trust Funds, be advised that the Office of Community Development cannot issue a grant agreement for these funds until the Ohio Legislature's Controlling Board approves the awards. The Office of Community Development will submit the Ohio Housing Trust Funds awards to the Controlling Board for consideration in late August 2013. In the meantime, do not publicly announce this award through a press release or a website announcement until after Controlling Board approval has been obtained, which the Office anticipates to occur before the end of September.

Please note that any and all housing activities must be implemented in accordance with the Office of Community Development's Housing Handbook, including the February 3, 2003 edition of the Housing Program Manual, the September 2008 edition of the Residential Rehabilitation Standards, and the local community's Policies and Procedures Manual. These handbooks and manuals are available on the Agency's website at http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_affordhousing.htm. Regarding the FY 2013 CHIP grant award and the local Policies and Procedures Manual, please remember that the Office of Community Development will not release funds to a community until all sections of its Policies and Procedures have been approved by the Office of Community Development. For new communities, this includes receipt by the Office of Community Development of a resolution from the community adopting its Policies and Procedures Manual.

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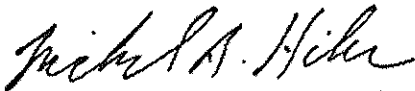
Ms. Cathy Davison, City Manager
August 27, 2013
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In addition, the Office of Community Development has recently issued four Program Policy Notices regarding the following topics: 1) Affordability Periods; 2) Finance Mechanisms; 3) Conflict Management and Dispute Resolution; and 4) Administrative Contracts. All Program Policy Notices must be followed, and are available on the Agency's website at http://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_policynotices.htm.

Communities must respond, in writing, to the Office of Community Development accepting the terms and conditions outlined in this conditional award by September 16, 2013, along with the appropriate corrections as outlined in the attachment. Once this acknowledgement and information is received by the Office of Community Development, a grant agreement will be prepared and forwarded for signature. The grant agreement timelines outlined above will not be changed if a community is not able to act in a timely manner in submitting the required changes.

Questions regarding this matter should be directed to your assigned Office of Community Development Residential Revitalization Specialist, John Saunders at (614) 466-3048.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael A. Hiler".

Michael A. Hiler, Deputy Chief
Office of Community Development

MAH/SLG/JS/vb
Attachments

C: George A. Zokle, Jr., CT Consultants, Inc.
John Saunders, Office of Community Development

City of Steubenville

Provide a revised Other Funds Budget, which shows the source of funds that will be used for the City's Fair Housing Program.

FY 2013 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(CHIP)
PREPARED BY OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
APPLICANT PROFILE

PAGE 1 of 2

I. GENERAL DATA

Applicant..... STEUBENVILLE	Ranking..... 32	Total Population..... 19,015
Application #: 076	Vendor Number: 0000102592	Total Households..... 8,352
Amt. Requested: \$ 250,000	Community Nbr: 21A	Nbr. of Persons in Pov: 3,776
County..... Jefferson	Rehab Contact: Jeff Christopher	% of Persons in Pov: 20%
Housing Rep.: R / John Saunders	Rehab Phone #: 330-746-1200	Per Capita Income..... 17,830
App. Preparer: George Zokle	Admin Agency: C.T. Consultants, Inc.	% Paying >35% Housing: 30%
Community CEO: Cathy Davison	Admin Contact: George A. Zokle	% Houses Blt Pre-1950: 31%
Title..... City Manager	Title..... Manager	% Hm. >1 Person Per Rm: 1%
Address..... 115 S. Third Street, Suite 103	Address..... 20 Federal Plaza West, Suite 303	% Houses W/O Plumbing: 1%
Steubenville, OH 43952	Youngstown, OH 44503-	
Phone Number: 740-283-6000	Phone Number: 330-746-1200	Admin Contact FAX Nbr: 330-746-1400
FAX Number: 740-283-6165	EMAIL Address: gzokle@ctconsultants.com	
Ohio House: 95 - Andy Thompson (R)	Ohio Senate: 30 - Lou Gentile (D)	

II. PROGRAM DATA

# Units Impacted - Owner Occupied: 6	OCD Assisted Cost Per Unit..... \$ 37,916
# Units Impacted - Rental..... 0	Total Cost Per Unit..... \$ 77,198
# Units Emergency Repaired..... 0	OCD Dollars For LMI Benefit..... \$ 227,500
# Units Construction..... 0	OCD Percent For LMI Benefit..... 100.00
# Households - Downpayment Asst.: 0	Leverage Ratio..... 0.942 to 1
# Households - Rental Assistance: 0	Project Longitude..... Not Entered
# of Units Acq./Rehab or Constr.: 0	Project Latitude..... Not Entered
Program Income Included in Budget: \$ 0	
Finance Mechanisms.....	

III. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Steubenville will provide owner-occupied rehabilitation assistance to 6 LMI households.

IV. PROGRAM EVALUATION

	Requested	Awarded
	-----	-----
CDBG Funds..... \$	0	0
HOME Funds..... \$	250,000	250,000
Ohio Housing Trust Funds: \$	0	0
	-----	-----
Application Total..... \$	250,000	250,000
OCD Recommendation.....	FUNDED	
Application Reviewer.....	Bcpe, B.	

PROFILE CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE

DATE: 08/28/2013

OHIO DEVELOPMENT SERVICES AGENCY
 FY 2013 COMMUNITY HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM(CHIP)
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 APPLICANT PROFILE

PROFILE NBR: 32

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Applicant Community...: STEUBENVILLE
 Project Number.....: 076

V. REQUESTED PROGRAM BUDGET

ACTIVITY	TOTAL COST	CDBG FUNDS	HOME FUNDS	OHTF FUNDS	OTHER FUNDS	SOURCE OF FUNDS
Private Rehabilitation	\$ 463,190	\$ 0	\$ 227,500	\$ 0	\$ 235,690	CDBG
Fair Housing Program	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
General Administration	\$ 22,500	\$ 0	\$ 22,500	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Total Project Costs	\$ 485,690	\$ 0	\$ 250,000	\$ 0	\$ 235,690	

VI. AWARDED PROGRAM BUDGET

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Private Rehabilitation	\$ 463,190	\$ 0	\$ 227,500	\$ 0	\$ 235,690	CDBG
Fair Housing Program	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	
General Administration	\$ 22,500	\$ 0	\$ 22,500	\$ 0	\$ 0	
Total Project Costs	\$ 485,690	\$ 0	\$ 250,000	\$ 0	\$ 235,690	

VII. PROGRAM OUTCOMES

ACTIVITY	LOCATION OF ACTIVITY	BENEFICIARIES NUMBER	PERCENT	INC. BEN.	MEASURABLE OUTCOMES
Private Rehabilitation	City-wide	17.00	100.00%	L/M	6.00 Units Rehabbed - Owner

Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission
In-Kind Staff Services for Programmatic Costs
2014 USEPA Coalition Assessment Grant



JEFFERSON COUNTY

Regional Planning Commission

500 Market Street ~ Suite 614 ~ Steubenville, Ohio 43952

Phone: 740-283-8568 ~ Fax: 740-283-8656

e-mail: jcrpc@jeffersoncountyoh.com

January 15, 2014

Mr. Rich Fender
Planner
Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

The Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission (the Commission) is providing this letter to document our commitment to provide in-kind local government staff resources to support implementation of a \$600,000 FY2014 U.S EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant.

Specifically, the Commission will provide, if needed, up to 500 hours of staff time, to support community outreach efforts and site selection associated with the Grant. These services include securing access agreements, preparation of reports, progress meetings, financial tracking, documentation of project information and hosting public meetings.

The value of these in-kind services is approximately \$10,000 (500 hours at an average hourly rate of \$20).

Sincerely,

Domenick Mucci Jr.
Director
Jefferson County Planning Commission

APPENDIX E

JEFFERSON COUNTY BROWNFIELD COALITION MEMBER COMMITMENT LETTERS



JEFFERSON COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY

Economic development office serving Jefferson County, Ohio

December 19, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

The Jefferson County Port Authority is pleased to be a part of the Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition and its assessment application efforts.

The Jefferson County Port Authority is the economic development engine serving Jefferson County. We facilitate innovation and implement economic development initiatives that will strengthen and diversify the economy and provide employment opportunities for all county residents.

As you are aware, there is a vast interest among potential developers, particularly those related to the shale gas industry, in property along and/or near the Ohio River. Thus, we are pleased with your decision to focus on these areas.

Specifically, the Port Authority is committed to working closely with your organization by listing brownfield properties through Ohio InSite, a statewide internet database of sites and buildings. This database can facilitate the redevelopment of these properties by providing potential developers with key information regarding site pricing, geography, utilities and transportation.

There is no doubt this grant could serve as a catalyst for future development in our county. Therefore, the Jefferson County Port Authority is excited to have this opportunity to offer its full support for your application.

Sincerely,

Evan Scurti
Director of Economic Development



City of Steubenville

Planning and Zoning Commission

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December 16, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

The purpose of this correspondence is to advise you that the City of Steubenville, through the Planning and Zoning Commission supports the efforts of the U. S. EPA Jefferson County Brownfield Coalition grant. The City of Steubenville, as a member of the Coalition, looks forward to working cooperatively with our partners to identify, prioritize and assess potential Brownfield sites for clean-up and redevelopment. In addition the revitalization of brownfield sites was noted as an objective in the City of Steubenville's recently adopted Comprehensive Plan.

The elimination of health and safety hazards, the creation of new jobs, and the elimination of blighting influences in the region are matters of the highest importance to the City. I believe working together with a regional approach is the best way to insure that the goals of the Coalition are achieved.

I hope that the work of the Coalition is successful. If you need any assistance regarding the above, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

William Hendricks
Chairman

The City Of Toronto

State of Ohio
"The Gem City"



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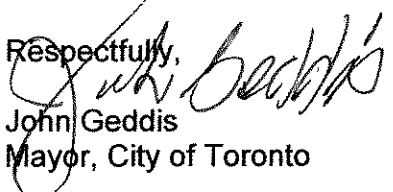
December 17, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Mr. Fender:

The City of Toronto fully supports the Brownfield Coalition. Toronto looks forward to working closely with the other entities in the coalition and providing all the necessary support to ensure this grant application is a success. Toronto is very familiar with the responsibilities associated with the identification and clean-up of Brownfield sites having worked with the State of Ohio on the revitalization for the former Hancock Manufacturing Company's site. We are honored to be included in this collaborative effort. I foresee nothing but positive results from such a Coalition and pledge our total cooperation.

Respectfully,


John Geddis
Mayor, City of Toronto

Village of Mingo Junction
Office of the Village Administrator
501 Commercial Street
Mingo Junction Ohio 43938

December 16, 2013

Mr. Rich Fender, Planner
Regional Planning Commission
500 Market Street, Suite 614
Steubenville, OH 43952

Dear Mr. Fender:

The Village of Mingo Junction supports the Brownfield Grant coalition and application. It is a privilege to be an active member of the coalition.

The Village is definitely interested and will strongly support any effort to interest potential developers to our area. Mingo Junction has several significant sites with river, rail and highway access that would qualify as Brownfield sites and redeveloping these sites would definitely improve the area. With the emerging oil and gas industry in Jefferson County the need to reutilize these properties will only increase.

The Village of Mingo Junction is a small community (about 3,500 people) and is staffed accordingly. I am however committed to providing, to the coalition, all the available resources necessary to ensure this program is a success.

Respectfully,



Stephen Maguschak Administrator
Village of Mingo Junction

Village of Yorkville

Jefferson & Belmont Counties

139 Market Street <> Yorkville, Ohio 43971

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Mr. Blair Closser, Mayor

**Bernard Battistel, Solicitor
Peggy Grady, Clerk/Treasurer
John Marelli, Police Chief
Kevin Klubert, Fire Chief
John Marelli, Code Administrator
Steven Stan, Property Maintenance Officer**

**Karen Vargo, Council President
Dana Brown, Council Member
Danny DiCenzo, Council Member
Ron Emerson, Council Member
Valerie Klubert, Council Member
Thomas Magnone, Council Member**

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Mr. Rich Fender
Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission
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RE: Brownfield Grant Coalition

The Village of Yorkville fully supports the Brownfield Grant Coalition and Application. The Village is an active member of the coalition and we look forward to working with the Jefferson County Regional Planning Commission to identify and assess Brownfield sites for future revitalization.

The Village of Yorkville is definitely interested and strongly supports any effort to attract potential developers to our Village and surrounding area. Yorkville has several sites with river, rail, and highway access that would qualify as Brownfield sites. These sites would definitely create and spur job growth, increase the tax-base, and improve the area.

The Village of Yorkville is a small community and is staffed accordingly. However, we are committed to providing, to the coalition, all the available resources necessary to ensure the Brownfield program is a success.

Please feel free to contact me or any member of the Village administration for additional information or for any assistance with the program. Enclosed, you will find a copy of our Village brochure.

Respectfully,



Blair Closser
Mayor

APPENDIX F

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS CHECKLIST

Appendix 3 Other Factors Checklist

Name of Applicant: Jefferson County Ohio Brownfield Coalition

Please identify (with an **X**) which, if any of the below items apply to your community or your project as described in your proposal. To be considered for an Other Factor, you must include the page number where each applicable factor is discussed in your proposal. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal or in any other attachments, it will not be considered during the selection process.

	Other Factor	Page #
	Community population is 10,000 or less	
	Federally recognized Indian tribe	
	United States territory	
	Applicant will assist a Tribe or territory	
X	Targeted brownfield sites are impacted by mine-scarred land	1, 3, 10, 12
	Targeted brownfield sites are contaminated with controlled substances	
	Recent natural disaster(s) (2006 or later) occurred within community, causing significant community economic and environmental distress	
	Project is primarily focusing on Phase II assessments.	
X	Applicant demonstrates firm leveraging commitments for facilitating brownfield project completion by identifying amounts and contributors of funding in the proposal and have included documentation	9
X	Community experienced manufacturing plant closure(s) (2008 or later) tied to the targeted brownfield sites or project area, including communities experiencing auto plant closures due to bankruptcy or economic disruptions.	1, 5
	Recent (2008 or later) significant economic disruption (<u>unrelated</u> to a natural disaster or manufacturing/auto plant closure) has occurred within community, resulting in a significant percentage loss of community jobs and tax base.	
	Applicant is a recipient or a core partner of a HUD-DOT-EPA Partnership for Sustainable Communities (PSC) grant that is directly tied to the project area, and can demonstrate that funding from a PSC grant has or will benefit the project area. To be considered, <u>applicant must attach documentation</u> which demonstrates this connection to a HUD-DOT-EPA PSC grant.	
	Applicant is a recipient of an EPA Brownfields Area-Wide Planning grant	
	Community is implementing green remediation plans.	
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Appendix 3 Other Factors Checklist

Name of Applicant: Jefferson County Ohio Brownfield Coalition

Please identify (with an **X**) which, if any of the below items apply to your community or your project as described in your proposal. To be considered for an Other Factor, you must include the page number where each applicable factor is discussed in your proposal. EPA will verify these disclosures prior to selection and may consider this information during the selection process. If this information is not clearly discussed in your narrative proposal or in any other attachments, it will not be considered during the selection process.

	Other Factor	Page #
	Community population is 10,000 or less	
	Federally recognized Indian tribe	
	United States territory	
	Applicant will assist a Tribe or territory	
X	Targeted brownfield sites are impacted by mine-scarred land	1, 3, 10, 12
	Targeted brownfield sites are contaminated with controlled substances	
	Recent natural disaster(s) (2006 or later) occurred within community, causing significant community economic and environmental distress	
	Project is primarily focusing on Phase II assessments.	
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